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PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 4.—Considerable interest has been aroused by the announcement that arrangements that Senator Hill may get the Pennsylvania delegation to the national convention have been made by Mr. Singerly, who was recently in Washington as a member of a Philadelphia delegation on a visit to the appropriation committee to urge an appropriation for a new mint. When he heard the story Mr. Singerly said: "There is not a particle of truth in it. The facts are these: While in Washington with a mint delegation I saw a number of senators and among them Mr. Hill, whom I have known since 1884. We have only met three or four times in the interval and we had a good many things to discuss besides politics."

"Then you are not for Hill?"

"Decidedly not. I am for Cleveland first, last and all the time. That ought to be definite enough. If I could do it I would designate him tomorrow as president of the United States. I admire Hill, of course, but I am positively for Cleveland for president."

Mr. Singerly will be one of the delegates at large from this state to the Chicago convention. Secretary of the Commonwealth Harrity, whose name has also been coupled with the Hill story, denies it flatly. The Pennsylvania delegation will, he thinks, be for Cleveland.

Gov. HOGG says: "Tie up the calamity howlers." The truth is that the people of Texas held out against complaining as long as it was possible to hold out. The bright side was presented by the papers, hoping that confidence might be restored and times grow better. Gov. Hogg's election and administration have made many citizens too sick to sing. It has actually run some excellent business men crazy. However, it is quite natural that Gov. Hogg should agree with Chairman Finley that his opponents, many of whom his policy has ruined, should have their legs as well as their hands pulled off. He would "tie them up." Why not combine the battle cry of the governor with that of Chairman Finley and make it: Tie up the "stinking skunks."—Dallas News.

DEAD AND DYING.

A Death-Dealing Boiler Explosion Near Longview.

Four Hurled Into Eternity.

LONGVIEW, Gregg County, Tex., March 3.—The most terrible boiler explosion ever known in this county occurred this morning at 7:50, at H. C. Terrell's mill, fifteen miles southwest of this place, instantly killing four men and badly injuring four others. The explosion was the heaviest known to mill men, tons of heavy iron being blown a quarter of a mile high and several miles away.

The concussion was deafening for four or five miles away, and was heard quite distinctly at this place, and the noise of falling debris was heard two to four miles some seconds after the first explosion. The mill pond, which was near by was blown dry, and all houses near demolished. Timbers weighing 400 pounds were hurled over the tall pines many hundred feet, while the flues were lodged in high trees which were full of debris.

John Brasher, superintendent of the mill, was on his way to this place to make some repairs, while his men foolishly fired up the mill while the steam guage was broken, consequently the fireman could not tell how much steam was in the boiler.

CONGRESS.

Has now been in session three months and has done nothing except to draw salaries and mileage. Democrats have a large majority in the house, and can pass any bill they please, but they seem to be afraid of themselves. This majority has declared its intention to pass a free silver coinage bill, and to reform the tariff so that these measures are not under discussion. the overwhelming issue that confronts them, in the presence of which, the members stand agbast and are too much terrified to distinguish between themselves and a hole in the ground, which they ought to crawl into, is, which of these measures shall be considered first? They seem to be frightened at the very shadow of their pet schemes, and like a Spanish mule with "skulks," refuse to go forward or backward, but are nervously awaiting the dig of the spur or the prod of the goad—which the people ought to apply even to the drawing of political blood. —Farm & Ranch.

VICTIMS OF THEIR OWN GREED.

Horrible Death of Two St. Louis Merchants.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 4.—Fire this morning in the store of Marcus and Abraham Cohen, on Chouteau avenue, was followed by an explosion, blowing out the front of the store. The police and fireman found Marcus horribly burned and removed him to a hospital, where he died. Abraham was found charred beyond recognition on the floor of the store after the fire was quenched. Mrs. Marcus Cohen and three children were removed from rooms above uninjured. Inquiry shows the men had removed most of the stock, then turned on the gas and opened a gasoline can. Before leaving, however, one inadvertently, it is thought, lighted a match. The explosion followed and the men were hoisted with their own petard and died victims of their own criminality. The insurance for which the men lost their lives was $7500.

A Stepfather's Rash Act.

GAINESVILLE, Tex., March 4.—William Byrne, a well to do Irishman living in this city, was arrested yesterday afternoon on a charge of attempting to kill his stepdaughter.

Candidates

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The Hillboro correspondent of the Dallas News in describing the reception given Judge Clark in that city at the depot on Feb. 25; as the candidate for governor was on his way to Dallas, says: "Amid the cheering of the multitude Judge Clark mounted the improvised rostrum, where Col. John D. Warren, a leading farmer and stock raiser of Hill county, presented him to the assembly in a brief but appropriate speech."

Why did not the said correspondent say that Col. John D. Warren leading banker of Hillsboro presented Judge Clark? There is a great play now on the "farmer and stock raisers" to make people believe that the labor element as a class are for Mr. Clark. Don't deceive yourselves gentlemen. The bugle blast that was sounded in St. Louis on Feb. 24, will be heard in Texas this summer. And all the brass bands that corporation money can hire will never induce the labor organizations to support either Clark or Hogg. Brass bands have lost their charms to this element of the voting population.—Corsicana Truth.

Texas Farmer on Clark.

DALLAS, Tex., March 4.—Texas Farmer tomorrow will contain an elaborate review of Judge Clark's Weatherford speech, which contains this significant paragraph:

Judge Clark insists that this campaign must be a fight to the finish between himself and Gov. Hogg as representing distinctive principles; that there is no room for dark horses; no room for a hybrid ticket composed of a Chinaman and a nigger. This is a very clever ruse to ward off the thousands of people who do not want at the head of affairs the extreme of either of the warring elements. Perhaps, however, the people will conclude that a dark horse may be a necessity. No one can deny that a black horse may be nearer the theory, "the office seeks the man," than one who at the instance of himself or any small clique goes upon the stump and demands a concession to superior and superabundant wisdom as does Judge Clark; or one who poses as a martyr, as now seems to be the case with Governor Hogg. It would be in fact a godsend if our public sentiment were sufficiently pure to always repudiate self nominated men.

Metallic money whilst acting as money, is identical with paper money in respect to being destitute of value. Coin, so long as it circulates far the purpose of buying and selling, losses its intrinsic value. As commodities, gold and silver are capital, but as money they are mere representatives of value."—Charles Morgan of France, in his work on money.

Shot Himself.

ROCKWALL, Tex., March 6.—A young man by the name of Terry, while loading his pistol, accidentally shot himself, the ball penetrating his right side passing through and coming out near the backbone. He was taken to the residence of Mr. Frank Clark, where he is in a critical condition.

For twenty years and more, the toiling masses have met in conventions and laid their requests before the two old parties, pleading for redress. In answer they have received nothing but promises, at the best, from their chosen representatives and misrepresentations and abuse from the papers. Farther, forbearance has ceased to be a virtue. Only two courses lie before us; bow the neck to still more galling slavery or enter at once upon independent political action. Slaves and cowards will take the former course, patriots the latter.—Ft. Worth Advance.

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PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 4.—Considerable interest has been aroused by the announcement that arrangements that Senator Hill may get the Pennsylvania delegation to the national convention have been made by Mr. Singerly, who was recently in Washington as a member of a Philadelphia delegation on a visit to the appropriation committee to urge an appropriation for a new mint. When he heard the story Mr. Singerly said: "There is not a particle of truth in it. The facts are these: While in Washington with a mint delegation I saw a number of senators and among them Mr. Hill, whom I have known since 1884. We have only met three or four times in the interval and we had a good many things to discuss besides politics."

"Then you are not for Hill?"

"Decidedly not. I am for Cleveland first, last and all the time. That ought to be definite enough. If I could do it I would designate him tomorrow as president of the United States. I admire Hill, of course, but I am positively for Cleveland for president."

Mr. Singerly will be one of the delegates at large from this state to the Chicago convention. Secretary of the Commonwealth Harrity, whose name has also been coupled with the Hill story, denies it flatly. The Pennsylvania delegation will, he thinks, be for Cleveland.

GOV. HOGG says: "Tie up the calamity howlers." The truth is that the people of Texas held out against complaining as long as it was possible to hold out. The bright side was presented by the papers, hoping that confidence might be restored and times grow better. Gov. Hogg's election and administration have made many citizens too sick to sing. It has actually run some excellent business men crazy. However, it is quite natural that Gov. Hogg should agree with Chairman Finley that his opponents, many of whom his policy has ruined, should have their legs as well as their hands pulled off. He would "tie them up." Why not combine the battle cry of the governor with that of Chairman Finley and make it; Tie up the "stinking skunks."—Dallas News.

DEAD AND DYING.

A Death-Dealing Boiler Explosion Near Longview.

Four Hurled Into Eternity.

LONGVIEW, Gregg County, Tex., March 3.—The most terrible boiler explosion ever known in this county occurred this morning at 7:50, at H. C. Terrell's mill, fifteen miles southwest of this place, instantly killing four men and badly injuring four others. The explosion was the heaviest known to mill men, tons of heavy iron being blown a quarter of a mile high and several miles away.

The concussion was deafening for four or five miles away, and was heard quite distinctly at this place, and the noise of falling debris was heard two to four miles some seconds after the first explosion. The mill pond, which was near by was blown dry, and all houses near demolished. Timbers weighing 400 pounds were hurled over the tall pines many hundred feet, while the flues were lodged in high trees which were full of debris.

John Brasher, superintendent of the mill, was on his way to this place to make some repairs, while his men foolishly fired up the mill while the steam guage was broken, consequently the fireman could not tell how much steam was in the boiler.

CONGRESS.

Has now been in session three months and has done nothing except to draw salaries and mileage. Democrats have a large majority in the house, and can pass any bill they please, but they seem to be afraid of themselves. This majority has declared its intention to pass a free silver coinage bill, and to reform the tariff so that these measures are not under discussion. the overwhelming issue that confronts them, in the presence of which, the members stand agbast and are too much terrified to distinguish between themselves and a hole in the ground, which they ought to crawl into, is, which of these measures shall be considered first? They seem to be frightened at the very shadow of their pet schemes, and like a Spanish mule with "skulks," refuse to go forward or backward, but are nervously awaiting the dig of the spur or the prod of the goad—which the people ought to apply even to the drawing of political blood. —Farm & Ranch.

VICTIMS OF THEIR OWN GREED.

Horrible Death of Two St. Louis Merchants.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 4.—Fire this morning in the store of Marcus and Abraham Cohen, on Chouteau avenue, was followed by an explosion, blowing out the front of the store. The police and fireman found Marcus horribly burned and removed him to a hospital, where he died. Abraham was found charred beyond recognition on the floor of the store after the fire was quenched. Mrs. Marcus Cohen and three children were removed from rooms above uninjured. Inquiry shows the men had removed most of the stock, then turned on the gas and opened a gasoline can. Before leaving, however, one inadvertently, it is thought, lighted a match. The explosion followed and the men were hoisted with their own petard and died victims of their own criminality. The insurance for which the men lost their lives was $7500.

A Stepfather's Rash Act.

GAINESVILLE, Tex., March 4.—William Byrne, a well to do Irishman living in this city, was arrested yesterday afternoon on a charge of attempting to kill his stepdaughter.

Candidates
Don't fail to see us before you place your orders for cards or circulars.

The Hillboro correspondent of the Dallas News in describing the reception given Judge Clark in that city at the depot on Feb. 25; as the candidate for governor was on his way to Dallas, says: "Amid the cheering of the multitude Judge Clark mounted the improvised rostrum, where Col. John D. Warren, a leading farmer and stock raiser of Hill county, presented him to the assembly in a brief but appropriate speech."

Why did not the said correspondent say that Col. John D. Warren leading banker of Hillsboro presented Judge Clark? There is a great play now on the "farmer and stock raisers" to make people believe that the labor element as a class are for Mr. Clark. Don't deceive yourselves gentlemen. The bugle blast that was sounded in St. Louis on Feb. 24, will be heard in Texas this summer. And all the brass bands that corporation money can hire will never induce the labor organizations to support either Clark or Hogg. Brass bands have lost their charms to this element of the voting population.—Corsicana Truth.

Texas Farmer on Clark.

DALLAS, Tex., March 4.—Texas Farmer tomorrow will contain an elaborate review of Judge Clark's Weatherford speech, which contains this significant paragraph:

Judge Clark insists that this campaign must be a fight to the finish between himself and Gov. Hogg as representing distinctive principles; that there is no room for dark horses; no room for a hybrid ticket composed of a Chinaman and a nigger. This is a very clever ruse to ward off the thousands of people who do not want at the head of affairs the extreme of either of the warring elements. Perhaps, however, the people will conclude that a dark horse may be a necessity. No one can deny that a black horse may be nearer the theory, "the office seeks the man," than one who at the instance of himself or any small clique goes upon the stump and demands a concession to superior and superabundant wisdom as does Judge Clark; or one who poses as a martyr, as now seems to be the case with Governor Hogg. It would be in fact a godsend if our public sentiment were sufficiently pure to always repudiate self nominated men.

Metallic money whilst acting as money, is identical with paper money in respect to being destitute of value. Coin, so long as it circulates far the purpose of baying and selling, losses its intrinsic value. As commodities, gold and silver are capital, but as money they are mere representatives of value."—Charles Morgan of France, in his work on money.

Shot Himself.

ROCKWALL, Tex., March 6.—A young man by the name of Terry, while loading his pistol, accidentally shot himself, the ball penetrating his right side passing through and coming out near the backbone. He was taken to the residence of Mr. Frank Clark, where he is in a critical condition.

For twenty years and more, the toiling masses have met in conventions and laid their requests before the two old parties, pleading for redress. In answer they have received nothing but promises, at the best, from their chosen representatives and misrepresentations and abuse from the papers. Farther, forbearance has ceased to be a virtue. Only two courses lie before us; bow the neck to still more galling slavery or enter at once upon independent political action. Slaves and cowards will take the former course, patriots the latter.—Ft. Worth Advance.

"The theory of the intrinsic value of money has been abandoned by the best writers and speakers."—Encyclopedia Britannica.

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The aldermenn runnin' for governor,
The janitor—road overseer;
The tax man runnin' for sheriff—
The county laid on the shelf.
The doctor runnin' for coroner,
An' the old town runnin' herself.
—Mineral Wells News.

J. R. Gough has framed a reapportionment bill.

There is an overproduction of confidence in certain politicians.

Samson was a strong man, but we would like to see him lift a mortgage.

We have an overproduction of bosses in this country. Let us curtail the crop.

The republican convention is in session at Austin. Cuney is on top, from last reports.

Let the heathen rage and the bosses howl, the hum of the reform wheel sweetly sounds.

Judge George Clark candidate for governor will speak in McKinney on March 26 inst.

It is unmanly to give a fellow fits behind his back, and sometimes not judicious to give him fits to his face.

The Fort Worth Advance comes to our exchange table, a neatly printed and ably edited journal enlisted in the reform cause.

We should confine ourselves to the conditions of the present. We cannot escape the many thorns of life by constantly gazing into the past.

No amount of abuse from the kid glove tyrant brigade can stop the avalanche of reform—they cannot bulldoze those who reasonably advocate it.

Why not, when the voter begins his suffrage life, compel him to vote for the nominee from that time to the grave? By this method the trap would not have to be set so often.

The ballot box was never intended, by the founders of our republic, to be controlled by the hand of the political despot, whose only motive is to gratify selfishness.

We have in our mind several contempoaries who are opposed to our ideas and whom we admire for their liberality. They do not belong to the narrow minded school. They give free expression of thought and welcome that of opponents.

To the press of Collin county: What's the matter with meeting and organizing a county press association? The Rustler is in it.—Wylie Rustler.

A capital idea, Bro. Perkins. If in order, The DEMOCRAT will second the motion. Now let the vote be taken.

The cry of "overproduction" sounds disagrrable to the hard working citizen who is hungry and thinly clad.—McKinney Democrat.

Not only "disagreeable" but false. As long as there are persons hungry or in need of clothing there should be no such cry as "overproduction."—Emory Herald.

"Turn Texas loose and let her grow," is the slogan of a certain political faction of this state. We believe this to be right, and we believe to accomplish this, the voters of Texas should be "turned loose." Free the voter from the galling chains of prejudice and hate. Snatch from around him the veils placed there by party machinery and the Lone Star State will once more resume her position as "the most beautious [illegible] ever led to the marriage altar of the Union."

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Our bright colored friend published every week in New York is particularly popular because of the genuine American humor which it gives in its black and white sketches. But a few years ago papers like Judge published only a half-dozen of such sketches, but now the public is not satisfied unless it has at least twenty or thirty in a single issue of the paper. Zimmerman has caused more people to laugh at the queer pictures that he makes of the darkey race than any other artist. His work is always a leading specialty in Judge and we can congratulate our good friend on having in this case a monopoly of his services. Get this week's issue. Price, ten cents.

Independence vs. Dictatorship.

We started out upon the road of independent journalism, and as time advances and present conditions stares us in the face, we feel proud of our choice. We are not pledged to any party, clique or individual. We do not believe that justice requires a man to kneel and "lick the hand that smites" him.

We admire the man who freely and gentlemanly expresses himself, but a man who attempts to intimidate and drive others to his own opinion, we cannot help but view his motive with suspicion and doubt.

The time is ripe for independent action of the American voter. The great masses of the people are thinking, and no longer can the entangling process of party convention machinery tie up the average voter and lead him to the polls to vote under the lash of a few dictators. Others may subject themselves to any proceedings they may choose, but for the writer we prefer to remain subject to our own thoughts.

ENGLISH SPARROWS.

They Are Making the Lives of North Texas Farmers a Burden.

DENISON, Grayson county, Tex., March 1.—A report comes to this city today that the farmers along Red river to the east are greatly troubled by a new pest in this county—the English sparrow. It is oat planting time, and the thousands of sparrows swarm in the fields and separate the kernel from the hull of the oat and actually ruin the entire field. The only remedy the farmer has is to sow his oats in a furrow and turn them under, thereby making double the extra work. This is the first time in the history of North Texas the English sparrow has come in such numbers, and the question is from whence they came, and how to exterminate them

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WHITE'S GROVE ITEMS.

A New Feature About Leap Year.

WHITE'S GROVE, Feb. 29, '92.
Editor Democrat.

February, the 29th, is a date we don't get to write often. Believing that the subject will be of interest to some, we will dwell at some length upon the origin and history of leap year. "Leap year is a year happening every fourth year and every fourth hundred year, and consisting of 366 days on account of the addition of a day in the month of February, which then consists of 29 days. This day is added to include the nearly six hours, which the sun takes up in his course, besides the 365 days allowed for it in other years. In the calendar devised by Julius Cæsar and called the Julian calendar, the ordinary year contained 365 and every fourth year 366 days." As the actual excess in time was not quite six hours in common years, it followed that as century after century passed the seasons fell gradually away from their true dates. At the end of the 16th century to correct this state of things ten days had to be dropped. "Russia has never adopted this correction, hence a telegram sent today from McKinney to St. Petersburg would reach that city on the 19th day of February. The next hundredth year leap year will be in 2,000.

James Bush has built an addition and painted his residence.

James Coleman is in town today to purchase a bran new threshing out fit. The new engine will have an energy of 20 horse power.

Henry Coleman will run his corn planter in this neighborhood this week.

Most farmers have at least a month's work set apart for the first rainy day.

Bob Dorsey is invariably at his post—preaching days particularly. The usual whereabouts of his brother Pink, are so well known that a more minute mention would be useless.

Your correspondent had the pleasure of dining with Mr. D. C. Flippen, of Bloomdale, one day last week. We trust we "may" (excuse the pun) soon see arbor day items from the editor of the Bloomdale Journal.

Sunday school was organized last Sunday, J. R. Robbins and Joseph Williams, superintendent and assistant, respectively. The hour for school will be 10 o'clock every Sunday morning. Other officers and teachers are to be elected next Sunday morning.

The sermons of the Rev. Mr. Thomas, Sunday, elicted much praise. At the close of the afternoon service the question of finishing the church came up and in a few minutes $60.50 was subscribed (cash on demand.) This sum to begin with is enough to insure a completed church. The work of papering and painting will commence soon. TEXAN.

For Grandma's Grave.

The Victoria Advocate says: One day this week a little "tot" of a girl, barely 5 year old, handed a letter to Postmaster Clark, with the remark: "Mister, please mail this letter; but be careful when you stamp it, as it contains some violets to go on grandma's grave." The little messenger was so earnest in her pleading that we cannot wonder why there was a bit of moisture in the postmaster's eyes as he gave her a parting glance. "Violets for grandma's grave!" How much there is in those simple words!

From Farmers Schoolhouse,

FARMERS S. H., March 7, '92.
Editor Democrat.

We have had a fine rain, which we were greatly in need of, to bring up oats and wheat.

Corn planting is the order of the day.

We are having a fine school going on here now, taught by Miss Mattie Houston. Mr. J. R. Wise says that it is the finest school that he ever attended.

Our friend Mr. John Rife, has a brother from the old country visiting him. He seem to like Texas fine.

Success to The DEMOCRAT.

Respectfully,
J. H. L.

Lone Elm Pointers—Social and Otherwise.

LONE ELM, March 8, '92.
Editor Democrat:

Again we come to the front with pen and ink to tell the latest Lone Elm news to the readers of your interesting journal.

The fine weather of last week has enabled our farmers to make good headway toward planting their corn.

A. T. Buckley went to Mc Kinney Friday last on business.

S. T. White and Green Howard made a business trip to Weston Saturday.

Frank Kendall and Wm. Alexander were in McKinney Monday trading.

J. R. Cox, of Lebanon, was seen perambulating our streets several days last week.

W. S. Vernon left Sunday for school at Whitewright. He is a brilliant young man, and has the best wishes of your correspondent.

One of Lone Elm's charming and most accomplished young ladies, Miss Beulah Stamps, was visiting relatives and friends in Weston Saturday and Sunday.

The opening of this seasons' social festivities was celebrated at the beautiful residence of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kendall last Saturday evening. The entertainment was given in honor of W. S. Vernon, of Whitewright, and will long remain green in the memories of those who were recipients of the hospitality of this highly honored family. The DEMOCRAT correspondent was rather late arriving at the scene of mirth and merriment, but when 'twas made known that he loitered in order to add another fair star to the beautiful cluster there assembled, his tardiness was readily forgiven. Sweet strains from the violin, soft instrumental solos on the organ together with charming soul inspiring vocal renditions and brilliant conversations made the time quickly fly. At 1 o'clock the guests were invited to participate in an old fashioned candy pulling, which resulted as usual, the gentlemen getting tangled up in too much sweetness and vainly endeavoring to extricate themselves, while the ladies by one of those arts peculiar to them only pulled the candy. Late in the evening the guests departed and all went well, but that the candy intended for the dude turned to sticking plaster and cemented some pantaloons to a certain gig.

The following were present; Misses Doyie Caraway, Mary Kennedy, Bettie Smith, Sallie and Lou Chipman, Ethel Foster, Beulah Stamps, Dona Wade, Zula Rowland, Lena Orenduff, Maud Douglas, Eddy Turner, Lena O'Brien, Lendy, O'Brian, Inet Harris, Emma Lytle, Cora and Emma McBride, Emma Wheat, Allie and Hassie Shook, Mary Alexander, Mollie, Ella and Flora Allen, Mesdames Jettie Caraway, Frank Kendall and A. Searcy. Messrs. G. Webb, Newton Fugett, R. Fugett, Wiley Wood, Lem Vernon, Wm. Allen, C. White, Jesse Farnsworth, Alvin Bound, L. H. Shook, Walter and Will Alexander, W. S. Vernon, Joe Allen, John Cuter, Jas. Barnett and J. C. Clark.

While in Lone Elm your correspondent has learned that ere long a number of the youth and beauty of this splendid community expect to forsake single cussedness, in order to revel in the wilder delights of double blessedness.

THE DUDE.

Resolution of Respect—By the Willow Springs Alliance.

LUCAS, March 5, '92.

Whereas, it has pleased our Heavenly Father to call from time to eternity our beloved brother, John Spurgin.

Therefore, resolve that this alliance has lost a faithful member, the community a loyal citizen, his family a devoted companion and father and christianity, a shining light.

Resolve, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minute book of this alliance, and a copy sent to our official organs for publication.

W. T. NEWSOME,
J. T. BRANCH,
E. C. FORBES, } Com.

☞Remember the Nickel Store when you are in the city.

"Now I Lay Me."

[The Wichita, Kan., Eagle says the following poem was left at the office by an unknown man, who came to ask for work.]

Near the campfire's flickering light,
In my blanket bed I lie.
Gazing through the shades of night
And the twinkling stars on high,
O'er me, spirits in the air
Silent vigils seem to keep.
As I breathe my childhood's prayer,
"Now I lay me down to sleep."

Sadly sings the whip-poor-will
In the boughs of yonder tree,
Laughingly the dancing rill
Swells the midnight melody,
Foemen may be lurking near
In the canyon dark and deep—
Low I breathe in Jesus ear;
"I pray the Lord my soul to keep."

Mid those stars one face I see—
One the Savior turned away—
Mother, who in infancy
Taught my baby lips to pray.
Her sweet spirit hovers near,
In this lonely mountain brake—
Take me to her Savior, dear,
"If I should die before I wake."

Fainter grows the flickering light,
As each ember slowly dies;
Plaintively the birds of night
Fill the air with saddening cries.
Over me they seem to cry:
"You may never more awake."
Low I lisp: "If I should die,
I pray the Lord my soul to take."

Now I lay me down to sleep,
I pray the Lord my soul to keep;
If I should die before I wake,
I pray the Lord my soul to take.

Resolution from Willow Springs.

The following resolution was unanimously passed by the Willow Springs Alliance:

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All For the "Elect"—Prefers to Wait.

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There is no mistaking the requirements and objects of the call referred to which no doubt is for "peace"—to the "elect." Respectfully,
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The janitor—road overseer;
The tax man runnin' for sheriff—
The county laid on the shelf.
The doctor runnin' for coroner,
An' the old town runnin' herself.
—Mineral Wells News.

J. R. Gough has framed a re-apportionment bill.

There is an overproduction of confidence in certain politicians.

Samson was a strong man, but we would like to see him lift a mortgage.

We have an overproduction of bosses in this country. Let us curtail the crop.

The republican convention is in session at Austin. Cuney is on top, from last reports.

Let the heathen rage and the bosses howl, the hum of the reform wheel sweetly sounds.

Judge George Clark candidate for governor will speak in McKinney on March 26 inst.

It is unmanly to give a fellow fits behind his back, and sometimes not judicious to give him fits to his face.

The Fort Worth Advance comes to our exchange table, a neatly printed and ably edited journal enlisted in the reform cause.

We should confine ourselves to the conditions of the present. We cannot escape the many thorns of life by constantly gazing into the past.

No amount of abuse from the kid glove tyrant brigade can stop the avalanche of reform—they cannot bulldoze those who reasonably advocate it.

Why not, when the voter begins his suffrage life, compel him to vote for the nominee from that time to the grave? By this method the trap would not have to be set so often.

The ballot box was never intended, by the founders of our republic, to be controlled by the hand of the political despot, whose only motive is to gratify selfishness.

We have in our mind several contempoaries who are opposed to our ideas and whom we admire for their liberality. They do not belong to the narrow minded school. They give free expression of thought and welcome that of opponents.

To the press of Collin county: What's the matter with meeting and organizing a county press association? The Rustler is in it.—Wylie Rustler.

A capital idea, Bro. Perkins. If in order, The DEMOCRAT will second the motion. Now let the vote be taken.

The cry of "overproduction" sounds disagrrable to the hard working citizen who is hungry and thinly clad.—McKinney Democrat.

Not only "disagreeable" but false. As long as there are persons hungry or in need of clothing there should be no such cry as "overproduction."—Emory Herald.

"Turn Texas loose and let her grow," is the slogan of a certain political faction of this state. We believe this to be right, and we believe to accomplish this, the voters of Texas should be "turned loose." Free the voter from the galling chains of prejudice and hate. Snatch from around him the coils placed there by party machinery and the Lone Star State will once more resume her position as "the most beautious bride ever led to the marriage altar of the Union."

Why Judge is so Popular.

Our bright colored friend published every week in New York is particularly popular because of the genuine American humor which it gives in its black and white sketches. But a few years ago papers like Judge published only a half-dozen of such sketches, but now the public is not satisfied unless it has at least twenty or thirty in a single issue of the paper. Zimmerman has caused more people to laugh at the queer pictures that he makes of the darkey race than any other artist. His work is always a leading specialty in Judge and we can congratulate our good friend on having in this case a monopoly of his services. Get this week's issue. Price, ten cents.

Independence vs. Dictatorship.

We started out upon the road of independent journalism, and as time advances and present conditions stares us in the face, we feel proud of our choice. We are not pledged to any party, clique or individual. We do not believe that justice requires a man to kneel and "lick the hand that smites" him.

We admire the man who freely and gentlemanly expresses himself, but a man who attempts to intimidate and drive others to his own opinion, we cannot help but view his motive with suspicion and doubt.

The time is ripe for independent action of the American voter. The great masses of the people are thinking, and no longer can the entangling process of party convention machinery tie up the average voter and lead him to the polls to vote under the lash of a few dictators. Others may subject themselves to any proceedings they may choose, but for the writer we prefer to remain subject to our own thoughts.

ENGLISH SPARROWS.

They Are Making the Lives of North Texas Farmers a Burden.

DENISON, Grayson county, Tex., March 1.—A report comes to this city today that the farmers along Red river to the east are greatly troubled by a new pest in this county—the English sparrow. It is oat planting time, and the thousands of sparrows swarm in the fields and separate the kernel from the hull of the oat and actually ruin the entire field. The only remedy the farmer has is to sow his oats in a furrow and turn them under, thereby making double the extra work. This is the first time in the history of North Texas the English sparrow has come in such numbers, and the question is from whence they came, and how to exterminate them

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WHITE'S GROVE ITEMS.

A New Feature About Leap Year.

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February, the 29th, is a date we don't get to write often. Beleving that the subject will be of interest to some, we will dwell at some length upon the origin and history of leap year. "Leap year is a year happening every fourth year and every fourth hundred year, and consisting of 366 days on account of the addition of a day in the month of February, which then consists of 29 days. This day is added to include the nearly six hours, which the sun takes up in his course, besides the 365 days allowed for it in other years. In the calendar devised by Julius Cæsar and called the Julian calendar, the ordinary year contained 365 and every fourth year 366 days." As the actual excess in time was not quite six hours' in common years, it followed that as century after century passed the seasons fell gradually away from their true dates. At the end of the 16th century to correct this state of things ten days had to be dropped. "Russia has never adopted this correction, hence a telegram sent today from McKinney to St. Petersburg would reach that city on the 19th day of February. The next hundredth year leap year will be in 2,000.

James Bush has built an addition and painted his residence.

James Coleman is in town today to purchase a bran new threshing out fit. The new engine will have an energy of 20 horse power.

Henry Coleman will run his corn planter in this neighborhood this week.

Most farmers have at least a month's work set apart for the first rainy day.

Bob Dorsey is invariably at his post—preaching days particularly. The usual whereabouts of his brother Pink, are so well known that a more minute mention would be useless.

Your correspondent had the pleasure of dining with Mr. D. C. Flippen, of Bloomdale, one day last week. We trust we "may" (excuse the pun) soon see arbor day items from the editor of the Bloomdale Journal.

Sunday school was organized last Sunday, J. R. Robbins and Joseph Williams, superintendent and assistant, respectively. The hour for school will be 10 o'clock every Sunday morning. Other officers and teachers are to be elected next Sunday morning.

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For Grandma's Grave.

The Victoria Advocate says: One day this week a little "tot" of a girl, barely 5 year old, handed a letter to Postmaster Clark, with the remark: "Mister, please mail this letter; but be careful when you stamp it, as it contains some violets to go on grandma's grave." The little messenger was so earnest in her pleading that we cannot wonder why there was a bit of moisture in the postmaster's eyes as he gave her a parting glance. "Violets for grandma's grave!" How much there is in those simple words!

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Lone Elm Pointers—Social and Otherwise.

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Again we come to the front with pen and ink to tell the latest Lone Elm news to the readers of your interesting journal.

The fine weather of last week has enabled our farmers to make good headway toward planting their corn.

A. T. Buckley went to Mc Kinney Friday last on business.

S. T. White and Green Howard made a business trip to Weston Saturday.

Frank Kendall and Wm. Alexander were in McKinney Monday trading.

J. R. Cox, of Lebanon, was seen perambulating our streets several days last week.

W. S. Vernon left Sunday for school at Whitewright. He is a brilliant young man, and has the best wishes of your correspondent.

One of Lone Elm's charming and most accomplished young ladies, Miss Beulah Stamps, was visiting relatives and friends in Weston Saturday and Sunday.

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Sadly sings the whip-poor-will
In the boughs of yonder tree,
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Foemen may be lurking near
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We had the pleasure of attending services at Pleasant Grove last Sunday. An eloquent discourse was delivered by Rev. Joseph Jammison. Dove Cupid is in our midst once more. Methinks I hear of a wedding to take place in the near future, yes, two of "em." Look out! Mr Judge you may be called upon to settle more divorce cases next fall, for some how or other the ties of matrimony are not so lasting as they were in days gone by. What is the cause? who can tell? there now; Mr. editor don't frown so, for I had forgotten your position in this life, for single people are not capable of solving the great mystery. If the editor will pardon me for entering his sanctum without solicitation I will hie away.

Success to the DEMOCRAT.
PRARIE FLOWER.

Verona Dots.

VERONA, March 9, '92.
Editor Democrat.

Health is good.

The Verona choir met at Mr. Calloway's last evening and discoursed sweet music.

The next subject for our debating society will be, "Resolved that independent political action is necessary."

Professors Smith and C. J. Moore, anti-subtreasury advocates failed to materialize last Saturday evening. This makes the third time they have failed. We suppose they became like King Agrippa of old, almost persuaded to believe the truth, which will make them free. If the scales have not yet fell from their eyes let them choose their battle ground and we will meet them. SUBTREASURY BOY.

All For the "Elect"—Prefers to Wait.

McKINNEY, March 7, '92.
Editor Democrat:

I see by the published call of the democratic executive committee of the city, that a voter in the city primary must support the nominees at the general election in November next—that the voter's support of the city nominees in April is not sufficient to entitle him to participate in the city election. This iron clad proceeding, I suppose, is to prevent a great many who are identified with the reform questions of the day, and which are baffling the leaders of all parties. There is one liberty the gentlemen have kindly left to the humble writer hereof, and that is the liberty to stand aloof from the city primaries and vote as we please in all futurity.

There is no mistaking the requirements and objects of the call referred to which no doubt is for "peace"—to the "elect." Respectfully,
F. D. C.

Obituary.

John Spurgin was born, Feb. 1819, moved to Collin county about 1859 where he remained until removed by death, March 2nd 1892. Bro. Spurgin obtained a hope in Christ at the age of 23. He joined the Missionary Baptist church and was a faithful and consistent member of the same until death. He was ever ready and willing to assist in every good work that would advance the Master's kingdom. He was a "cheerful giver."

He joined the farmers alliance immediately after its organization in this county and was an ardent defender of its noble principles.

In the death of Bro. Spurgin the community has lost an upright citizen, the alliance a strong member, his family a devoted companion and father and the church a model christian. We extend our sincere condolence to the bereaved family and commend them to the God in whose grace he trusted.

W. T. NEWSOM.

A superb line of those celebrated London and Paris tailor made suits at M. Arog.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Our friends will please remember that The DEMOCRAT is located east of the square, next to J. P. Dowell's hardware house.

See ad of Bristol & Porter in this issue.

Mrs. Ada Boone was in the city last Monday.

We are pleased to hear from Lone Elm this week.

Mrs. Jno. D. Page is visiting friends in Greenville this week.

A "norther" made us a very unpleasant visit this morning.

W. J. Higgins has our thanks for subscription paid this week.

Mr. T. C. Perry of the Mississippi store is expected today.

Mrs. R. L. Parker, Robert and Will Parker visited relatives in Sherman this week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Holmes, of Little Elm, are visiting relatives in the city.

Quite a large number of fine horses were on exhibition in the city on last Monday.

J. T. Melton, from near Allen, was in the city on business last Monday.

Bro. Stewart of the Farmersville News gave us a pleasant call last Monday.

D. C. Flippen, an independent voter of Vineland, was in McKinney last Monday.

Mr. L. C. Recer was in to see us this week and had some jack bills printed.

The artesian well machinery is at work again, after some delay in receiving casing.

G. W. Robbins, of Parker, called on us last Tuesay and left an order to print some bills.

J. T. Branch, of Willow Springs, graced our sanctum with his presence last Monday.

Why is it not right to use Collin county timber in building bridges, street paving, etc.?

Dr. T. C. Reedy will be in McKinney on Monday and Tuesday, the 21st and 22nd of March.

W. W. Chapman, of Allen, came up on Saturday night last to attend lodge meeting of the I. O. O. F.

Our friend J. R. Darnall of Weston was in the city this week trying to find out which wing of the national democracy it would be proper to join.

The large amount of job printing we have turned out recently is very gratifying, indeed.

O. D. Winn is prepared to manufacture and sell pure steel wire bed springs on East Louisiana street. Call and see his work.

J. M. Bybee, of Farmersville, gave us a call this week and pleased us with subscription money.

Mrs. Wm. Coffey, of Allen, died last Monday. She was a sister of our townsman, Gabe H. Lucas.

E. W. Kirkpatrick came up from the Gulf last Saturday, and is now moving rapidly around his home to keep from freezing.

A few communications came in too late for this issue, nobably, one from Uncle Mike, which will appear in our next issue.

Bro. Wash Taylor's spring poetry came out on the first Monday in time to strike a blizzard.

It is stated that the county democratic executive committee failed to have a quorum last Saturday.

Miss Lula Irvin, of Greenville, Texas, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Killman, on North Tennessee street, for the past month, returned to her home last Friday.

The "town cow" is receiving considerable attention just now.

Gov. Hogg will speak in McKinney on the 26th of April next.

H. E. Smith and M. B. Rexrode returned from Austin today.

W. P. Cloyd filled the position of postmaster a few days this week.

Democrats are requested to express their choise for U. S. senator next saturday.

Don't fail to call and see us when you want fine job printing done.

☞Go and exchange your old cook stove for a new one at Nale & Dies.

Ernest Parker, the Rip Van Winkle, of Sherman, is visiting relatives in McKinney, after some 20 years absence. We are glad to state that his eyes are much improved.

Three good milk cows cheap for cash. For information call on Clarence Shuman at the Singer office, first door south of the Collin Co. Bank.

Bishop Garrett, of Dallas, will preach at the C. P. church next Sunday night. Rev. Garrett is one of the most elequent devines of the South and all should go out to hear him.

The DEMOCRAT printed 2,000 circulars and 2,000 tickets for the candidates before the city primary, which will occur between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., to morrow (Friday).

The Homeliest Man in Mckinney,

As well as the handsomest, and others are invited to call on any druggist and get free a trial bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, a remedy that is selling entirely upon its merits and and is guaranteed to relieve and cure all Chronic and Acute Coughs, Asthma, Bronchitis and Consumption. Large bottles 50 cents and $1.

Our friends, Nale & Dies are doing a good business in the furniture line. These gentlemen have well earned the patronage of the people by courteous and fair dealings towards all.

☞We will exchange new for secondhand goods in furniture, stoves, etc.

NALE & DIES.

W. P. Bumpass announces this week as candidate for assessor of taxes for Collin county. Mr. Bumpass lives at Farmersville, where he has resided for many years past, and is highly spoken of as being fully able to honor the position to which he aspires. We trust that the voters of Collin county will give him due consideration at the polls.

Some of our citizens are in favor of paving our square and principal streets with boisd'arc. It will be remembered that The DEMOCRAT advanced this idea in its columns sometime ago. By all means let us improve our town and county by home enterprise.

James P. Dowell is a candidate for mayor of Petersburg, and is fully able to agree with any gentleman upon the "town cow issue." He will also be pleased to have you call and examine his hardware stock, which is complete throughout.

Jos. W. Waddill announces this week as a candidate for county court clerk. Almost everybody in the county knows Mr. Waddill. He has served in in several official capacities, one of which was the county clerkship, during which he gave general satisfaction as an able and earnest worker in thatoffice. When selecting a clerk don't fail to give him a careful consideration.

To Business Men.

We humbly beg a moderate share of your patronage in Job Printing and will guarantee satisfaction.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no money required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. N. McAuley & Bro.

SPRING 1892!

You are cordially invited to attend our

THIRD ANNUAL SPRING OPENING

Tuesday and Wednesday, Mar. 15th and 16th, where we will have on display

Fine French Millinery, Dress Goods, Trimmings &c.,

Hoping to see you and your friends, we remain,

Respectfully,
M. ARON.

Open until 9:30 p. m.

Raging Flames.

Yesterday morning ab ut 3 o'clock the alarm of fire was sounded and the sleeping citizens of McKinney were awakened to find the grain house, just east of the oil mills, enveloped in flames. The fire slowly, but surely spread to the east end of the big grain elevator, which for a long time resisted the angry flames, with its massive walls covered with iron sheeting. Even after the fire had crept to the interior of the building, the huge structure seemed reluctant to give possession to the firey fiend and tried to smother it within. As the black smoke came rolling from every crevice about the building, it was liken unto some huge giant trying to suppress some terrible passion within. At last the flames burst through in a triumph of victory and continued until its victim lay in ruins. Some eight or ten thousand bushels of wheat was stored in the elevator, and as the west end gave way the golden grain, representing the productive soil of old Collin and her toiling farmers, came pouring forth in large volume, seemingly trying to escape the cruel fiend, but all in vain. The work of destruction proceeded until the grain house, the elevator, Powell's old warehouse and all their contents were burned. The loss is estimated to be about $40,000. Insured.

NOTES.

The fire bell did not ring long, after a few taps the rope broke.

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The hook and ladder team ran into the hose cart, breaking a wheel of the latter and seriously hurting one of Hubg Blizzard's eyes.

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The fire boys did noble work in saving the oil mill and ice factory.

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Water was furnished by the East Line tank.

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Every fire within the borders of McKinney is a sad reminder that we need a system of water works.

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It is reasonable to suppose that the fire was the work of an incendiary.

Pronounced Hopeless, Yet Saved.

From a letter written by Mrs. Ada E. Hurd, of Gordon, S. D., we quote: "Was taken with a bad cold, which settled on my Lungs, cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles; it has cured me and thank God I am a well and happy woman." Trial bottles free at E. N. McAulay & Bro. Drug Store, regular size, 50c and $1.00.

Collin County Medicos.

MCKINNEY, Tex., March 8.—The Collin county medical association met here today with a full attendance. A number of interesting cases were presented. Dr. S. E. Webb read an interesting article on "Dangers Arising from Hemorrhage During Gestation." This was followed by a lengthy discussion.

Good Looks.

Good looks are more than skin deep, depending upon a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the Liver be inactive, you have a Bilious Look if your stomach be disordered you have a Dyspeptic look and if your Kidneys be affected you have a Pinched look. Secure good health and you will have good looks. Electric Bitters is the great alterative and Tonic acts directly on these vital organs. Cures Pimples, Blotches, Boils and gives a good complexion. Sold at E. N. McAuley & Bro. Drug Store, 50c. per bottle.

We Are in the Race to Stay.

The people have held a convention and nominated us, and we believe that they will back us. Therefore, we will do our part, and we are determined to sell them more goods and better goods for their money than any other house in North Texas.

Our lines consists of all kinds of fine and medium furniture, cook stoves, queensware, glass and tinware, table cutlery, in fact we have a secondhand store on East Virginia street. We buy, sell or exchange for all kinds of secondhand goods.

NALE & DIES.

Roll of Honor.

The following named gentlemen came forward and subscribed for The DEMOCRAT this week:

J. A. Mallow,
J. W. Armstrong,
A. M. Murphy,
J. D. Arrington,
J. W. Ratcliff,
P. M. Darnall.

Deafness Can't be Cured

by local application as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachin Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflamation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by Catarrh) that we cannot cure by taking Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
☞Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Marriage Bells.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by county clerk Keen, since our last report:

J. W. Hackney and Margaret Boswell, Glen Perry and Laura Ray, W. R. Venable and Florence Frizzell, L. J. Newcom and C. C. Bucham, F. M. Stibbins and Abigail Bryant, Joseph Drenham and Bertha Smith, J. M. Allen and Laura B. Blalack, John Tyler and Margaret Jones.

Some Foolish People

Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it wears them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial size free. At all Druggists.

To Sub-Alliance Lecturers.

Each lecturer of sub-alliances of Collin county is earnestly requested to meet me at the DEMOCRAT office, at McKinney, at 12 o'clock sharp on Saturday the 12th of March. Don't forget the date as this is the time that should have been in a former published announcement which was wrong.

J. T. BRANCH,
County Lecturer.

A Family Ablaze.

MCKINNEY, Tex., March 8.—This morning while a daughter of B. H. Oats was assisting her mother in preparing breakfast, her apron caught fire. She ran, but fortunately her father caught her. All the ladies of the household ran up and their dresses all caught fire. Mr. Oats managed, however, to tear off the dresses. His hands are badly burned. One daughter is severely burned.

Collin County EX-Confederates.

MCKINNEY, Tex., March 7.—The Collin county ex confederates met here to-day. There was some misunderstanding as to arrangements to transport delegates and others to New Orleans and a committee was appointed to visit Sterling Price camp and learn definitely the arrangements.

FOR DYSPEPSIA,
Indigestion, and Stomach disorders, use
BROWN'S IRON BITTERS.
All dealers keep it, $1 per bottle. Genuine has trade-mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

For finest, cheapest and most reliable fruit trees, shade trees, grape vines, berry vines, roses, shrubs and evergreens go to McKinney Nurseries.

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Smith Bros.

Keep on hand fresh drugs, patent medicines of all kinds, Also toilet articles of any description; in fact, everything in the drug line. Call and see them, east side of the square.

STRAIONIAN DEMOCRACY.

A New, But Scientific Politics, Confronting the People of America.

What is straionian democracy? Straio's basis of democracy is as follows: "Democracy is a government whose supreme power is vested in the people collectively, whereof each and every person forms equal constituents; and are fully and equally endowed with liberty.

Liberty is the privilege secured to each and every person, to have and exercise their rights,

A right of a person is a just claim; or a claim whose exercise conveys no evil or injury upon another person or persons, or upon the respective person."

For details read Straio (New World, Problem of the contest between Capital and Labor solved), a book of 368 pages just published, which can be had for $1.00 at this office.

☞If you wish to purchase a beautiful and durable spice cabinet call at the Nickel Store.

☞Bird cages at the Nickle Store.

☞Beautiful flower pots at the Nickel Store.

☞We have everything necessary to make up a complete housekeeping outfit. Give us a trial and we guarantee to save you money.

NALE & DIES,
Northeast corner square,
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☞Go to Nale & Dies and purchase the celebrated Union sewing machine. The only machine in the world that sews backward the same as forward.

☞For rocking chairs go to Nale & Dies.

☞For bedsteads go to Nale & Dies.

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☞The Nickel Store has just received a new shipment of glass and tinware.

BROWN'S IRON BITTERS Cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion & Debility.

☞The Nickel Store sold out clear during the holidays, and now they have stocked up with new goods of all kind.

Attention!

For cash or thoroughly secured credit, I will sell at unprecedentedly low prices, wholesale or retail, my entire stock of wagons, plows, cultivators, stalk cutters, champion cotton planters, barb wire and groceries. J. P. WEBSTER.

SHILOH'S CATARRH REMEDY. A marvelous cure for catarrh, diphtheria, canker mouth and headache. With each bottle there is an ingeninasal injector for the more successful treatment of those complaints without extra charge. Price 50c. Sold by R. E. Bristol.

Answer This Question.

Why do so many people we see around us seem to prefer to suffer and be made miserable by indigestion, constipation, dizziness los of appetite, coming up of the blood, yellow skin, when for 75c. we will sell them Shiloh's Vitalizer, guaranteed to cure them. Sold by R. E. Bristol.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure

This is beyond question the most successful cough medicine we have ever sold, a few doses invariably cure the worst case of cough, croup and bronchitis, while its wonderful success in the cure of consumption is without a parallel in the history of medicine. Since its first discovery it has been sold on a guarantee, a test which no other medicine can stand. If you have a cough we earnestly ask you to try it. Price 10c, 50c and $1. If your lungs are sore, chest, or back lame, use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. Sold by R. E. Bristol.

On What a Cough.

Will you heed the warning. The signal perhaps of the sure approach of that more terrible disease Consumption. Ask yourselves if you can afford for the sake of saving 50c., to run the risk and do nothing for it. We know from experience that Shilo's Cure will cure your cough. It never fails. This explains why more than a Million Bottles were sold the past year. It relieves croup and whooping cough at once. Mothers, do not be without it. For lame back, side or chest use Shilo's Porous Plaster. Sold by R. E. Bristol.

THE LITTLE STORE ON THE CORNER.

New Spring Goods

Now coming in rapidly

FRESH and NEW---GOOD LIGHT GOOD GOODS, LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

Everything new in DRESS GOODS. Everything new in TRIMMINGS. Endless profusion in WHITE GOODS, Laces, Hamburg, Mull and Swiss Edgings. Prints, Ginghams, Domestics—Everything in Staple Goods.

Kid Gloves, Silk, Lisle and Cotton Gloves, Corsets, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Ribbons, Shoes and Slippers for all, from the little toddler up.

Hats and Clothing for all Mankind

Give us a look---we want a little of your trade at the LITTLE STORE on the North West Corner of the Square.

H. W. Ardinger.

TO THE

Farmers of Collin County.

The undersigned have opened up an Implement House in McKinney and handle

B. F. AVERY & SONS GOODS.

We take this method of informing you that we are in the market and desire a share of your patronage.

BRISTOL & PORTER,
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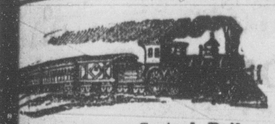

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T. T. Emerson

LOCAL NEWS.

Our friends will please remember that The DEMOCRAT is located east of the square, next to J. P. Dowell's hardware house.

See ad of Bristol & Porter in this issue.

Mrs. Ada Boone was in the city last Monday.

We are pleased to hear from Lone Elm this week.

Mrs. Jno. D. Page is visiting friends in Greenville this week.

A "norther" made us a very unpleasant visit this morning.

W. J. Higgins has our thanks for subscription paid this week.

Mr. T. C. Perry of the Mississippi store is expected today.

Mrs. R. L. Parker, Robert and Will Parker visited relatives in Sherman this week.

Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Holmes, of Little Elm, are visiting relatives in the city.

Quite a large number of fine horses were on exhibition in the city on last Monday.

J. T. Melton, from near Allen, was in the city on business last Monday.

Bro. Stewart of the Farmersville News gave us a pleasant call last Monday.

D. C. Flippen, an independent voter of Vineland, was in McKinney last Monday.

Mr. L. C. Recer was in to see us this week and had some jack bills printed.

The artesian well machinery is at work again, after some delay in receiving casing.

G. W. Robbins, of Parker, called on us last Tuesay and left an order to print some bills.

J. T. Branch, of Willow Springs, graced our sanctum with his presence last Monday.

Why is it not right to use Collin county timber in building bridges, street paving, etc.?

Dr. T. C. Reedy will be in McKinney on Monday and Tuesday, the 21st and 22nd of March.

W. W. Chapman, of Allen, came up on Saturday night last to attend lodge meeting of the I. O. O. F.

Our friend J. R. Darnall of Weston was in the city this week trying to find out which wing of the national democracy it would be proper to join.

The large amount of job printing we have turned out recently is very gratifying, indeed.

O. D. Winn is prepared to manufacture and sell pure steel wire bed springs on East Louisiana street. Call and see his work.

J. M. Bybee, of Farmersville, gave us a call this week and pleased us with subscription money.

Mrs. Wm. Coffey, of Allen, died last Monday. She was a sister of our townsman, Gabe H. Lucas.

E. W. Kirkpatrick came up from the Gulf last Saturday, and is now moving rapidly around his home to keep from freezing.

A few communications came in too late for this issue, notably, one from Uncle Mike, which will appear in our next issue.

Bro. Wash Taylor's spring poetry came out on the first Monday in time to strike a blizzard.

It is stated that the county democratic executive committee failed to have a quorum last Saturday.

Miss Lula Irvin, of Greenville, Texas, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Kilman, on North Tennessee street, for the past month, returned to

The "town cow" is receiving considerable attention just now.

Gov. Hogg will speak in McKinney on the 26th of April next.

H. E. Smith and M. B. Rexrode returned from Austin today.

W. P. Cloyd filled the position of postmaster a few days this week.

Democrats are requested to express their choise for U. S. senator next saturday.

Don't fail to call and see us when you want fine job printing done.

☞Go and exchange your old cook stoye for a new one at Nale & Dies.

Ernest Parker, the Rip Van Winkle, of Sherman, is visiting relatives in McKinney, after some 20 years absence. We are glad to state that his eyes are much improved.

Three good milk cows cheap for cash. For information call on Clarence Shuman at the Singer office, first door south of the Collin Co. Bank.

Bishop Garrett, of Dallas, will preach at the C. P. church next Sunday night. Rev. Garrett is one of the most elequent devines of the South and all should go out to hear him.

The DEMOCRAT printed 2,000 circulars and 2,000 tickets for the candidates before the city primary, which will occur between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., to morrow (Friday).

The Homeliest Man in Mckinney,

As well as the handsomest, and others are invited to call on any druggist and get free a trial bottle of Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, a remedy that is selling entirely upon its merits and and is guaranteed to relieve and cure all Chronic and Acute Coughs, Asthma, Bronchitis and Consumption. Large bottles 50 cents and $1.

Our friends, Nale & Dies are doing a good business in the furniture line. These gentlemen have well earned the patronage of the people by courteous and fair dealings towards all.

☞We will exchange new for secondhand goods in furniture, stoves, etc.

NALE & DIES.

W. P. Bumpass announces this week as candidate for assessor of taxes for Collin county. Mr. Bumpass lives at Farmersville, where he has resided for many years past, and is highly spoken of as being fully able to honor the position to which he aspires. We trust that the voters of Collin county will give him due consideration at the polls.

Some of our citizens are in favor of paving our square and principal streets with boisd'arc. It will be remembered that The DEMOCRAT advanced this idea in its columns sometime ago. By all means let us improve our town and county by home enterprise.

James P. Dowell is a candidate for mayor of Petersburg, and is fully able to agree with any gentleman upon the "town cow issue." He will also be pleased to have you call and examine his hardware stock, which is complete throughout.

Jos. W. Waddill announces this week as a candidate for county court clerk. Almost everybody in the county knows Mr. Waddill. He has served in in several official capacities, one of which was the county clerkship, during which he gave general satisfaction as an able and earnest worker in thatoffice. When selecting a clerk don't fail to give him a careful consideration.

To Business Men.

We humbly beg a moderate share of your patronage in Job Printing and will guarantee satisfaction.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, childblains, corns and all skin eruptions and Positively cures Piles, or no money required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box

SPRING 1892!

You are cordially invited to attend our

THIRD ANNUAL SPRING OPENING

Tuesday and Wednesday, Mar. 15th and 16th, where we will have on display

Fine French Millinery, Dress Goods, Trimmings &c.,

Hoping to see you and your friends, we remain,

Respectfully,
M. ARON.

Open until 9:30 p. m.

Raging Flames.

Yesterday morning ab ut 3 o'clock the alarm of fire was sounded and the sleeping citizens of McKinney were awakened to find the grain house, just east of the oil mills, enveloped in flames. The fire slowly, but surely spread to the east end of the big grain elevator, which for a long time resisted the angry flames, with its massive walls covered with iron sheeting. Even after the fire had crept to the interior of the building, the huge structure seemed reluctant to give possession to the firey fiend and tried to smother it within. As the black smoke came rolling from every crevice about the building, it was liken unto some huge giant trying to suppress some terrible passion within. At last the flames burst through in a triumph of victory and continued until its victim lay in ruins. Some eight or ten thousand bushels of wheat was stored in the elevator, and as the west end gave way the golden grain, representing the productive soil of old Collin and her toiling farmers, came pouring forth in large volume, seemingly trying to escape the cruel fiend, but all in vain. The work of destruction proceeded until the grain house, the elevator, Powell's old warehouse and all their contents were burned. The loss is estimated to be about $40,000. Insured.

NOTES.

The fire bell did not ring long, after a few taps the rope broke.

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The hook and ladder team ran into the hose cart, breaking a wheel of the latter and seriously hurting one of Huhg Blizzard's eyes.

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The fire boys did noble work in saving the oil mill and ice factory.

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Water was furnished by the East Line tank.

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Every fire within the borders of McKinney is a sad reminder that we need a system of water works.

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It is reasonable to suppose that the fire was the work of an incendiary.

Pronounced Hopeless, Yet Saved.

From a letter written by Mrs. Ada E. Hurd, of Gordon, S. D., we quote: "Was taken with a bad cold, which settled on my Lungs, cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Ssviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles; it has cured me and thank God I am a well and happy woman." Trial bottles free at E. N. McAulay & Bro. Drug Store, regular size, 50c and $1.00.

Collin County Medicos.

MCKINNEY, Tex., March 8.—The Collin county medical association met here today with a full attendance. A number of interesting cases were presented. Dr. S. E. Webb read an interesting article on "Dangers Arising from Hemorrhage During Gestation." This was followed by a lengthy discussion.

Good Looks.

Good looks are more than skin deep, depending upon a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the Liver be inactive, you have a Bilious Look if your stomach be disordered you have a Dyspeptic look and if your Kidneys be affected you have a Pinched look. Secure good health and you will have good looks. Electric Bitters is the great alterative and Tonic acts directly on these vital organs. Cures Pimples, Bloches, Boils and gives a good complexion. Sold at E. N. McAulay & Bro. Drug Store. 50c. per bottle.

We Are in the Race to Stay.

The people have held a convention and nominated us, and we believe that they will back us. Therefore, we will do our part, and we are determined to sell them more goods and better goods for their money than any other house in North Texas.

Our lines consists of all kinds of fine and medium furniture, cook stoves, queensware, glass and tinware, table cutlery, in fact we have a secondhand store on East Virginia street. We buy, sell or exchange for all kinds of secondhand goods.

NALE & DIES.

Roll of Honor.

The following named gentlemen came forward and subscribed for The DEMOCRAT this week:

J. A. Mallow,
J. W. Armstrong,
A. M. Murphy,
J. D. Arrington,
J. W. Ratcliff,
P. M. Darnall.

Deafness Can't be Cured

by local application as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflamation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by Catarrh) that we cannot cure by taking Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
☞Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Marriage Bells.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by county clerk Keen, since our last report:

J. W. Hackney and Margaret Boswell, Glen Perry and Laura Ray, W. R. Venable and Florence Frizzell, L. J. Newcom and C. C. Bucham, F. M. Stibbins and Abigail Bryant, Joseph Drenham and Bertha Smith, J. M. Allen and Laura B. Blalack, John Tyler and Margaret Jones.

Some Foolish People

Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "Oh, it will wear away," but in most cases it wears them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial size free. At all Druggists,

To Sub-Alliance Lecturers.

Each lecturer of sub-alliances of Collin county is earnestly requested to meet me at the DEMOCRAT office, at McKinney, at 12 o'clock sharp on Saturday the 12th of March. Don't forget the date as this is the time that should have been in a former published announcement which was wrong.

J. T. BRANCH,
County Lecturer.

A Family Ablaze.

MCKINNEY, Tex., March 8.—This morning while a daughter of B. H. Oats was assisting her mother in preparing breakfast, her apron caught fire. She ran, but fortunately her father caught her. All the ladies of the household ran up and their dresses all caught fire. Mr. Oats managed, however, to tear off the dresses. His hands are badly burned. One daughter is severely burned.

Collin County EX-Confederates.

MCKINNEY, Tex., March 7.—The Collin county ex confederates met here to-day. There was some misunderstanding as to arrangements to transport delegates and others to New Orleans and a committee was appointed to visit Sterling Price camp and learn definitely the arrangements.

FOR DYSPEPSIA,
Indigestion, and Stomach disorders, use
BROWN'S IRON BITTERS.
All dealers keep it, $1 per bottle. Genuine has trade-mark and crossed red lines on wrapper.

For finest, cheapest and most reliable fruit trees, shade trees, grape vines, berry vines, roses, shrubs and evergreens go to McKinney Nurseries.

49-6t.

Smith Bros.

Keep on hand fresh drugs, patent medicines of all kinds, Also toilet articles of any description; in fact, everything in the drug line. Call and see them, east side of the square.

STRAIONIAN DEMOCRACY.

A New, But Scientific Politics, Confronting the People of America.

What is straionian democracy? Straio's basis of democracy is as follows: "Democracy is a government whose supreme power is vested in the people collectively, whereof each and every person forms equal constituents; and are fully and equally endowed with liberty.

Liberty is the privilege secured to each and every person, to have and exercise their rights,

A right of a person is a just claim; or a claim whose exercise conveys no evil or injury upon another person or persons, or upon the respective person."

For details read Straio (New World, Problem of the contest between Capital and Labor solved), a book of 308 pages just published, which can be had for $1.00 at this office.

☞If you wish to purchase a beautiful and durable spice cabinet call at the Nickel Store.

☞Bird cages at the Nickle Store.

☞Beautiful flower pots at the Nickel Store.

☞We have everything necessary to make up a complete housekeeping outfit. Give us a trial and we guarantee to save you money.

NALE & DIES,
Northeast corner square,
McKinney, Texas.

☞Go to Nale & Dies and purchase the celebrated Union sewing machine. The only machine in the world that sews backward the same as forward.

☞For rocking chairs go to Nale & Dies.

☞For bedsteads go to Nale & Dies.

☞Call at the Nickel Store and see the new goods.

☞The Nickel Store has just received a new shipment of glass and tinware.

BROWN'S IRON BITTERS
Cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion & Debility.

☞The Nickel Store sold out clear during the holidays, and now they have stocked up with new goods of all kind.

Attention!

For cash or thoroughly secured credit, I will sell at unprecedentedly low prices, wholesale or retail, my entire stock of wagons, plows, cultivators, stalk cutters, champion cotton planters, barb wire and groceries. J. P. WEBSTER.

SHILOH'S CATARRH REMEDY. A marvelous cure for catarrh, diphtheria, canker mouth and headache. With each bottle there is an ingeni nasal injector for the more successful treatment of those complaints without extra charge. Price 50c. Sold by R. E. Bristol.

Answer This Question.

Why do so many people we see around us seem to prefer to suffer and be made miserable by indigestion, constipation, dizziness los of appetite, coming up of the blood, yellow skin, when for 75c. we will sell them Shiloh's Vitalizer, guaranteed to cure them. Sold by R. E. Bristol.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure

This is beyond question the most successful cough medicine we have ever sold, a few doses invariably cure the worst case of cough, croup and bronchitis, while its wonderful success in the cure of consumption is without a parallel in the history of medicine. Since its first discovery it has been sold on a guarantee, a test which no other medicine can stand. If you have a cough we earnestly ask you to try it. Price 10c, 50c and $1. If your lungs are sore, chest, or back lame, use Shiloh's Porous Plaster. Sold by R. E. Bristol.

Oh What a Cough.

Will you heed the warning. The signal perhaps of the sure approach of that more terrible disease Consumption. Ask yourselves if you can afford for the sake of saving 50c., to run the risk and do nothing for it. We know from experience that Shilo's Cure will cure your cough. It never fails. This explains why more than a Million Bottles were sold the past year. It relieves croup and whooping cough at once. Mothers, do not be without it. For lame back, side or chest use Shilo's Porous Plaster. Sold by R. E. Bristol.

THE LITTLE STORE ON THE CORNER.

New Spring Goods

Now coming in rapidly

FRESH and NEW---GOOD LIGHT GOOD GOODS, LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

Everything new in DRESS GOODS. Everything new in TRIMMINGS. Endless profusion in WHITE GOODS, Laces, Hamburg, Mull and Swiss Edgings. Prints, Ginghams, Domestics—Everything in Staple Goods.

Kid Gloves, Silk, Lisle and Cotton Gloves, Corsets, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Ribbons, Shoes and Slippers for all, from the little toddler up.

Hats and Clothing for all Mankind

Give us a look---we want a little of your trade at the LITTLE STORE on the North West Corner of the Square.

H. W. Ardinger.

TO THE

Farmers of Collin County.

The undersigned have opened up an Implement House in McKinney and handle

B. F. AVERY & SONS GOODS.

We take this method of informing you that we are in the market and desire a share of your patronage.

BRISTOL & PORTER,
Old Postoffice Building, McKinney, Texas.

Steer for

THE DEMOCRAT OFFICE.

During the campaign

SUBSCRIPTION

Only One Dollar.

Preachers and Public Speakers.

The Victims of Catarrh of the Pharynx.

Eloquent Divines, Able Politicians, Eminent Scholars and Professional Singers Made Voiceless

Extracts From a Lecture Delivered by Dr. S. B. Hartman at the Surgical Hotel, Columbus, O.

An ordinary sore throat, by frequent recurrence, is apt to become chronic, so that the throat continues to be sore nearly all the time. This form of sore throat is known in medical literature as Follicular Pharyngitis. It is caused by excessive use of the voice, by confinement in close rooms in bad air by undue exposure to cold, or by over-indulgence in smoking, but more frequently by catarrh and diphtheria. The symptoms are frequent hawking, especially in the morning, expelling from the throat with great difficulty stringy mucous which produces gagging, and even vomiting at times. There is a raw, sore feeling in the throat, and when the slightest cold is taken, the throat becomes inflamed and swollen. Instead of the smooth, pinkish look that the throat has in health, it looks angry, red and uneven, occasional patches of white mucous adhering to it. It is sure to make much speaking, singing or laughing painful, and the voice will slowly grow hoarser and weaker. Nothing is surer than if this is allowed to go unchecked it will finally involve the larynx, and the voice will be seriously injured. It is also certain that unless something is done to stop it the disease will gradually extend down the bronchial tubes to the lungs.

Follicular Pharyngitis is the special bane of public speakers and singers, also people whose nervous system is dressed by organic disease of any kind. People who, for any reason, are much confined to close rooms, are very liable to this disease. Any one afflicted by this trouble is not only leading a miserable life, but the inflamed state of the throat renders him especially liable to acute disease of the throat, such as diphtheria and quinsy.

For this trouble in any stage Pe-ru-na is the pink of perfection. If Peruna were always used before the lungs became affected it would not fail to cure a single case. Numerous cases that have used gargles, wet packs, external and internal applications of all sorts, without avail, find immediate relief and curing by using Peruna. The fame of Peruna in all mucous inflammations is such that many doctors and druggist not only prescribe it, but use it as their own family medicine. As soon as its use in such cases is begun, the phlegm loses its sticky, stringy character, and becomes at first more abundant, but easily expectorated. The quantity grows gradually less, until, after several weeks' use of Peruna, it ceases altogether. The inflamed mucous surfaces and enlarged follicles show immediate improvement, and rapidly regain their natural appearance, by taking Peruna, without the use of any gargle or application whatever.

In cases of sore throat, bronchitis and consumption, where cough is a prominent symptom, it is better to add two ounces of rock candy to each bottle before using, then take according to directions on the bottle. In cases of dyspepsia and diseases of the abdominal cavity and pelvic organs, the directions on the bottle are sufficient. Cases of chronic catarrh in the head, throat, bronchial tubes, stomach and pelvic organs, of ten, fifteen, or even twenty years' standing, are constantly being cured by the use of Peruna. It has come to be a well-established fact that Peruna will cure catarrh in any stage or variety where the case is not complicated by any organic disease.

A valuable pamphlet of thirty-two pages, setting forth in detail the treatment of coughs, colds, sore throat, consumption, catarrh in every phase of the disease, will be sent free to any address by The Peruna Drug Manufacturing Co. of Columbus, Ohio. This book should be in every household, as it contains a great deal of reliable information as to the cure and prevention of all catarrh and kindred diseases.

NEWS FROM VINEY.

Sickness, Literary and Other Notes.

VINEY, March, 2, '92.

Editor Democrat:

We have seen nothing from this section in the columns of your esteemed paper for some time. Your humble scribe's long silence is alone attributable to a protracted and serious illness. The la grippe was a veritable scourge in this section, nearly every household felt its effects, and in many, there are bleeding hearts that "sigh for a touch of a vanished hand, a sound of the voice that is still," for the "angel reaper" bore some loved member from scenes of life, to the granaries of that beautiful land, where the anthems of mercy unceasingly roll, while philosophy commands us to love our dear ones today, tomorrow it forbids us to lament them. Earth can offer but a poor consolation in the dark hour of grief—God alone can prove the "Balm of consolation" upon the anguished soul, and give it a time of hallowed peace. Sickness has abated—and people are generally busy preparing for the summers work. Oats are sown—many have made gardens—and soon corn will be planted, all are trying to take advantage of the beautiful weather to prepare their ground.

Mrs. John Wallace is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

Mr. John Martin is in Grayson county on business this week.

Miss Maggie Webb, of Dallas, is visiting friends in our community.

Mrs. Mary Fitzhugh, of McKinney, visited the family of Mr. Wallace last week.

The Viney literary society held their first open exercises Friday night to a large intelligent and appreciative audience. Everyone speaks in the highest praise of the efforts of those engaged in the performance. "Let the good work go on."

Sunday school will be reorganized next Sunday at this place. It is not necessary for me to urge upon the mothers and fathers of the community, the necessity of being present, and lend their influence to the work and bring the little children, and imbue their young minds, with those precepts that will fit them to live useful and moral lives, and prepare them for death. It is hoped all interested will be present to take part in the work—a work that can only be properly measured when placed under the "square of God."

The public school which has been closed, since before the holidays on account of sickness of teacher, is now in session, and we note a very large attendance, J. T. Bell being able to resume work, is at the helm.

The literary society will give another exhibition Friday night week. The public are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Editor will you please (if able) inform your readers, upon which side of the "silver question" one must "get," to be a Simon pure, as there are many who are at sea upon that question—and are not willing to be reckoned out of the time "Honored customs" of the party—and want at least to be allowed to exercise the right of suffrage without having to take an "iron clad oath" of allegiance to enjoy privilege.

Yours truly and sincerely,

CÆSAR.

IN THE ARMS OF A CORPSE.

Horrible Tale of Shipwreck and Suffering in the China Sea.

George J. Merchant, mate and the only survivor of the crew of six on the ill fated schooner Pearl, which was run down and sunk in the China sea by an ocean steamer, was interviewed by a reporter at his uncle's home, on Pelham street.

"The Pearl," he said, "was a small trading schooner of 140 tons, and usually touched ports among the Philippine islands, but on his last voyage we were chartered at Pamay for Hong-Kong with a general cargo.

"Nothing of any account happened until the night of the disaster, when we were within eight miles of our destination.

"At 8 o'clock that evening the barometer went down rapidly and we made ready by reducing sail to meet the tornado.

"Myself and a man named Mayo were on watch at 11 o'clock, and at that time we were hove to under a two reefed foresail, the wind having increased to a gale.

"Suddenly we saw two side lights a half mile away, and fearing a collision I told Mayo to get the 'flam' lighted, while I would arouse the crew.

"Before the 'flam' could be lighted the steamer was upon us, striking the Pearl on the port side and cutting her almost in two.

"We began to sink. I cut the lashings of the boat, turned her over, but we could not launch her, as Mayo's arm had been broken by flying timber.

"We got into the boat and she floated off. I saw the steamer back astern then proceed on her course, notwithstanding that I yelled myself hoarse for aid.

"In a few minutes the schooner sank head foremost, and we came very near being drawn down.

"We were alone on the ocean, as not one of our shipmates could be seen clinging to the wreckage of our vessel. But, worst of all, we had neither oars, water nor provisions.

"The heavy sea that was running at the time broke over the boat, and I tore up the bottom boards, fastened them to the rope at the bow and threw them overboard. These answered as a drag and kept her head up to the sea.

"All that night we huddled together to keep warm, expecting each moment would be our last.

"Morning dawned, but it was a sad dawning, as Mayo, overcome by the pain of his broken arm, lay stretched out in the bottom of the boat gasping for the want of a drink of water.

"Throughout that day many an anxious glance I cast over the waters. There was no sail in sight, and the delirious cries of Mayo was something awful. Then the storm abated. Next morning I found myself clasped in the arms of the corpse of Mayo.

"This was terrible, yet he must be buried. So I raised the body as gently as possible and launched it into the sea.

"I watched the body sink, but what was my horror when it rose face upward. Having nothing for a sinker I took one of the boards and paddled away from the terrible sight.

"I think it must have been about noon that day when I became delirious, for I remember quite plainly of yelling to a fleet of imaginary ships as they passed, but after that all was a blank.

"How or when I was rescued I do not know, but when I came to my senses I was on board a large Chinese junk, and seated beside me was a good natured coolie with a fan, who motioned me to keep quiet."—Boston Globe.

Women in New York Banks.

Certain of the up town banks make a specialty of attention to women depositors and try all manner of schemes to make them feel comfortable. And they truly do more to encourage the daintiness of the toilet than all the beauty shops in town. One of these banks, right in the heart of the shopping district, has just behind the cashier's desk a softly curtained door, through which may be seen the corner of a fresh, white apron. This belongs to a bright faced woman, who is ready and waiting to repair any damages to one's gown that may have developed during the tour of the shops. Needles, scissors and silk of all shades, buttons and pins are all waiting to be used, while whisk brooms and bottles of shoe dressing are close at hand. And then the washstand, a deep oval basin sunk in a spotless marble slab, with well kept nickel faucets to supply hot and cold water, two or three cakes of soap are on one side and on the other a pile of snowy damask towels; mirrors are everywhere, and the girl must be careless indeed of her comfort and her fringe who will not run in for a moment in passing.

The waiting woman in charge of this room scorns with an unlimited scorn the girl or woman who deposits her wealth in her stocking. She says it is astonishing how many people carry their valuable in that singular hiding place. A little chamois bag holds the bills, and that is fastened to the garter for greater security. She has a trifle less disdain for those who open three or four buttons of their frock and slip the precious roll inside. She thinks the money can be produced with fewer gymnastics in the latter case than when the lower receptacle is made use of. She tries to deter women from putting money in their stockings by telling a dire tale of a girl whose thin stocking wore through, causing the unconscious capitalist to shed wealth at every step.—New York Press.

She Founded a Unique Benevolence.

Few persons in this city are aware of the rapid growth and farreaching scope of the work done by the Periodical club. Comparatively speaking, there are few persons in New York who even know that such a club as the Periodical club exists. Four years ago Mrs. Mortimer Fargo, a zealous Christian worker in an up town Protestant Episcopal parish, conceived the idea that a great deal of good might be accomplished by collecting books, magazines and papers that had been thrown aside and distributing them gratuitously in the far west and south. She consulted a few clergymen and philanthropic laymen, and the formation of the Periodical club was the result. Beginning in a modest way, the work of that organization has grown to large proportions. Thousands upon thousands of periodicals and books are sent out to eager readers in remote districts every year. Mrs. Fargo died about a month ago, and her place has been taken, at her own request, by Mrs. J. L. Chapin, a member of the Church of Zion and St. Timothy. Hundreds of good people in this city, and hundreds elsewhere, have become interested in this work, and the contributions of books and magazines are steadily increasing. A large trunk kept in the Bartholomew parish house in East Forty-second street is filled and sent away every now and then, besides innumerable smaller packages, all of which an express company has kindly carried free. Some of the letters that have been received from the far west are very interesting.—New York Times.

A Parrot That Spells Its Name.

A bright parrot is owned by the Misses Myers, daughters of Benjamin Myers, of Kingston. It says its letters from A to I, can sing a few verses and spells its own name, pronouncing it by syllables like a schoolboy.—New York Telegram.

Tower's Improved SLICKER

TOWER'S FISH BRAND

is Guaranteed Absolutely Water proof.

Will Not Peel or Stick Leak

All Improved Slickers have beside the Fish Brand TRADEMARK on every Coat a

Soft Woolen Collar.

Watch Out!

A. J. TOWER, SUCR. BOSTON, MASS.

A WRECKING TRAIN.

HOW RAILROADS OPEN THE LINE AFTER AN ACCIDENT.

The Train Is Made Up of a Locomotive, a Derrick Car, a Box Car with Heavy Appliances, and a Tool Car—These Cars Contain Everything Needful.

"Accident to train No. 16, engine 46, Engineer A. Jones, Conductor L. Watson."

It is a dispach like the above that the superintendent of a railroad dreads most. He may have provided a most careful system of signals, may have perfectly trustworthy trainmen and competent switchmen; yet, despite all this, smashups will occur, trains will collide, tracks will be blocked and traffic stopped sometimes for hours over his busiest line.

It is to prevent the stoppage of business that every railroad keeps on hand several wrecking trains which are ready at a moment's notice to go to any part of the system, clear away wrecks, temporarily repair tracks and to put engines and cars in sufficient good order to reach the repair shops.

The moment a wreck occurs the telegraph operator at the nearest station sends a dispatch like the one above, followed by numbered answers to the following questions, which are copied on a blank at the superintendent's office:

1. Place of accident?
2. What caused it?
3. Were any persons injured? If so, what persons and to what extent?
4. Is main track obstructed?
5. Is the track or roadbed much damaged?
6. Is a side track near the obstruction which can be used to pass trains around?
7. Will section force be sufficient to clear obstruction? If not, how much greater force is wanted?
8. How long will it take to clear the track so trains can pass?
9. Is engine off the track or damaged? What position is engine in?
10. How many cars are broken or off the track?
11. How many cars are wanted, and what kind, to transfer freight in?
12. How many car trucks are needed?
13. Remarks of any nature concerning the accident.

This is made out in full and signed by the conductor.

HOW AN ACCIDENT IS REPORTED.

Supposing it was a freight train that was wrecked. It is bound west, and on account of a broken rail the train was thrown from the track, and several box cars and "flats" were piled up on both tracks. The conductor would fill out the blank, and when received by the superintendent would read something like the following: Engine 46—Engineer, Jones; conductor, Watson; 1, near Brownville; 2, broken rail; 3, none; 4, yes; 5, yes; 6, no; 7, wrecking train; 8, five or six hours; 9, yes, slightly; 10, seven; 11, five; 12, four; 13, approach on southbound track.

As soon as this dispatch arrives at the office a spare engine is attached to the wrecking train, a gang of men are hastily put aboard, the conductor gives the signal and the train speeds away to the scene of the disaster.

The train is made up of three cars, the first a flat car with a small and powerful derrick and a few spare car trucks. Next behind comes a box car well loaded with blocking, which is of value as temporary foundation for cars whose trucks have been smashed or torn from under them. In the same car is an ample supply of large and small hawsers, chains and canvas covers to protect perishable freight from rain and snow.

The tool car is last, and this indeed is a most interesting one. Some are divided into two or three rooms by partitions running from side to side at different points in the interior. In the center compartment of a three room tool car, where the wreckers remain when in transit, is a cooking stove and all utensils connected with a range, and hard by is a small pantry in which is stored a big supply of canned meats, coffee and utensils to prepare a hearty meal. Adjoining is the foreman's room with desk and all material for writing and the keeping of reports, telegraph machines, batteries and electrical supplies.

The latter supply comes in handy at the wreck. Wires are carried up from the car top to one of the railroad wires, connected, and the force is in communication with the whole railroad system.

A COMPLETE EQUIPMENT.

Everything which experience has suggested as likely to be brought into use in removing derailed cars and freight is to be found in these rooms. Along the sides are a score or more "jacks," some of them so powerful that a single man can lift to a height of several inches anything weighing from 1,000 pounds to twenty tons; there are also wrenches, rope, lanterns, axes, saws, hammers, light and heavy; crowbars, torches, drills, hatchets and numerous other appliances. Some new appliance is being added every time the train goes out, and all new things introduced in the work are added as soon as they are out.

It is very seldom that any tool is called for during the work upon a smashup that is not to be found in the resources of the car, all of which are accounted for by a man who keeps a record of every piece taken out and returned.

Upon the arrival of the train at the wreck the men are put to work in charge of an experienced mechanic and foreman. With startling rapidity the wreck is straightened out. The locomotive attached to the train is available to furnish power in case any hauling is to be done, and if the engine of the wrecked train is unharmed and on the "steel," it, too, can be brought into similar use.

In the handling of costly passenger coaches careful work is required; while in the case of overturned locomotives, which weigh from thirty-five to eighty tons, the work of righting and replacing them on the tracks is no small job.

Oftentimes a few hundred dollars will cover all damages for what looks to a novice like a wreck involving a loss of thousands of dollars. In most cases wrecked coaches and freight cars can be repaired at a comparatively small expense. Locomotives can also be smashed on the exterior to quite an extent without costly or irreparable damage.—New York World.

Women Teachers.

Of the teaching body in the United States at the last census 65 per cent were women. The total number is 238,333. Women are sometimes employed as teachers exclusively for boys, but more frequently for boys and girls together. In Chicago there are no separate schools for boys—the sexes are taught together. Women in Boston teach all the branches in all the public school course to children of all ages and all classes in life. In reply to the comparative success of male and female teachers the commissioner of education reports. "Women, I think, as a rule succeed better than men in getting work out of pupils of all kinds. The intellectual training which they give is therefore better up to a certain point than that given by men. They also maintain better discipline than men and with less corporal punishment."—Exchange.

The Invention of Spectacles.

Spectacles were first used in the latter part of the Thirteenth century. There is no certainty as to who was the inventor of them, but the distinction is generally claimed for Alessandro di Spina, who is said to have made some about 1285.—Notes and Queries.

A STORY FROM PARIS.

AN INTERESTING ROMANCE OF A THOUGHTLESS PAINTER.

The Widow Who Came to Dispossess the Negligent Artist Staid to Accept His Love, and Later His Hand and Heart. A Little Child Led Them.

There is a friend of mine, a painter, who has all the talents and no talent of his own. He would copy or imitate a Greuze or a Watteau to perfection. A Diaz by him only wants the signature, which an unscrupulous dealer does not hesitate to forge. My friend, whom we will call Durand, is an excellent man, industrious and clever, but too negligent to take the initiative in anything, even in painting. Well, he had given notice to quit his apartment in July, on the fifteenth day of the month, at noon, according to the customs of the country.

He had, however, been so absorbed in his painting that he had forgotten to retain a wagon to take away his furniture, and when he did at last concern himself about the matter he only succeeded in securing one for the end of the day. But at noon precisely, just as he was putting the finishing touches to a copy of Greuze's famous "Crucho-Cassee," there came an imperious knock at the door. It was the new tenant, escorted by her furniture. She was furious to find that Durand was "dawdling over his paint brushes," while all her furniture was out in the street exposed to the gaze of indiscreet passersby. She even threatened to send for the police in order to bring Durand to a sense of his duties as an outgoing tenant.

Durand, like many painters, thought the sea more charming than ever when agitated by a storm, and concluded that his fair visitor was rendered more beautiful by her anger. She was about twenty-five years of age. She had dark hair and blue eyes, a fine, supple figure, and her pretty nostrils were slightly dilated by her emotion. She was accompanied by a little girl of six years of age—a little golden haired fairy. "What!" continued the irate lady, "you are not going away until 5 o'clock? It is absurd! What am I to do with my furniture? Where is the proprietor? I must see the proprietor!" It was impossible to gratify her last wish. The concierge alone was available, but the newcomer was so terrible, so aggressive and so threatening that Cerberus was tamed and ran away, leaving his broom behind him.

INFLUENCE OF A CHILD.

Durand ought, according to his system of imitation, to have become wrathful, too, but his adversary was a pretty woman, so he sought an ally. The little girl was playing with a shepherdess in porcelain de Saxe that adorned one end of the chimney piece. "Should you like it?" "Oh, yes; it is so pretty!" "Take it." "Jeanne," said the mother, "I forbid you to accept anything." "If it were only to please her," replied Durand, "I could understand your prohibition, but it is an economy for me. I shall have so much less to move."

Women are ready laughers. The lady fixed her eyes on the wall in order to keep her countenance. "Your name is Jeanne?" said the painter. "Yes," answered the child. "And your papa—where is he?" "He died two years ago." "And mamma is a widow?" "Yes, monsieur."

Then turning to the lady, Durand apologized for his sins, told her that he had cleared one room and that he would go and help her get her furniture in. Soon the furniture began to find its place—the wardrobe, the mirror, the bookcase. "Oh, madame, without knowing you, as I look at these books I can read your mind. Balzac, Hugo, Lamartine"— "Ta, ta, ta," cried the irate lady, "you would have done better to clear out before noon than to be trying to study my character!" "I am working all the time, madame. Look! I have put that console there—here the statue of the Virgin—this little mirror opposite the window." "Oh, it is no use; you cannot make peace with me!"

WRATH TURNED TO LOVE.

There was an interval of twenty minutes, during which the lady stood at the window. Durand had remained in his room with the child. "Are they coming today or tomorrow—your men?" she asked angrily as she came back into the room; but she stopped in the middle. Jeanne, motionless and smiling, was seated on a chair and Durand was painting her portrait. "Mamma," said the little one suddenly, "I am hungry. You have some wine and a pate in the big basket." "Come, then, and breakfast on the balcony," murmured the mother. Durand was left alone to finish his sketch. There was a silence of ten minutes. Then the child returned timidly. "Mamma has something to ask you." "What?" "She does not dare." "She wants to turn me out?" "No." "What then?" "Mamma would like to know if you—if you would like a piece of pate."

This happened on July 15, and when the concierge arrived, all trembling, to announce that the men had at last come to remove Durand's furniture, he found him sitting on the balcony at table with the mother and dandling the child on his knees.

Misfortunes, however, never come alone. The wagon was too small. It would not hold all Durand's things at once. "Leave your palette, your easel and your pictures," said Jeanne; "I will take care of them, and then you will be obliged to come back again and finish my picture." He left them. He only came into possession of them on Jan. 15, when he brought all his furniture back into his own room. This time, however, there was no difficulty about the outgoing tenant, for she had meanwhile become Durand's wife, and the two households were merged into one.—Paris Cor. Philadelphia Bulletin.

And Still We Have Dyspepsia.

Scientists assure us that upward of 5,000,000 minute glands are constantly at work in our stomachs secreting gastric juice.—New York Journal.

Chips for the Churchgoer.

There are many people who think they ought to help the Lord to keep the preacher humble.

It is easier to run an engine without fire than it is to keep up a church without a prayer meeting.

The pastor who tries to carry his church to heaven on his shoulders will be sure to drop the most of it.

Men who stamp around among the stars in the pulpit are not much account in helping people toward heaven.

Closing the heart against the cry of the needy is only another way of shutting the door of heaven against yourself.

The protracted meeting in which the members of the pastor's family take no interest is not apt to develop into much of a revival.—Ram's Horn.

Sad Looking Author of a Merry Book.

One who once set type in a great English establishment remembers the time when that most fascinating of nonsense books, "Alice in Wonderland," was put into metal from young Dodgeson's manuscript. "As you saw the writer, a grave almost sad looking young man, going in and out of Worcester college, or at the office about the proofs, you scarcely think such melancholy looking authorship could produce so merry a book."

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THE MODERN SIDESADDLE.

Why It Is That a Woman Is Safer on Horseback Than a Man Is.

About the year 1830, by an accidental circumstance, women's riding was revolutionized. An Englishman made a wager to ride a steeplechase on a side saddle. A preliminary trial showed him, I imagine, the rashness of the attempt. So to minimize the danger by enabling him to sit safely, Mr. Fitzhardinge Oldacre, I think, invented the third pommel. Looking back one wonders how it was that women had not long before invented it for themselves under stress of urgent need. But one generation followed another and no one seems to have thought of it. Once invented, however, it was immediately adopted, and a three pommeled side saddle came into general use. This invention at once reinstated women's riding as a fine art by producing a new departure under improved conditions. For the grip obtainable by its means gives the greatest possible security in exchange for the least possible expenditure of force.

Saddles of this kind were cumbrous and very heavy, but during the following fifty years the weight of construction was gradually reduced, and little by little every unnecessary item was cut away, till in course of time the three pommeled saddle evolved into the long, light hunting saddle actually in use at present. It differs in several ways from its prototype. In this modern saddle the long narrow cantle is built over a sort of tunnel, which takes in the horse's withers and allows the seat of the saddle to lie flat; while the old fashioned seat sloped up and tilted the rider's knee with much the same effect as riding up hill.

All traces of the outer pommel have disappeared, leaving a free space where no resistance is necessary. Finally, the left hand pommel is placed high up the thigh, where the grip is strongest, the pressure having formerly been placed just above the knee, so that a shorter stirup was necessary. Now, such greater leverage led to an exaggeration of movement, which prevented all rhythm, for obviously the closer the rider can sit the more possibility there will be of being "one" with the horse, of riding so as to blend with his action, of, so to speak, following the pattern of his movement.

In the modern saddle all modifications tend to diminish effort and by greater security to enable the rider to sit very still. Strength of seat seems to me to be the result, roughly speaking, of three grips, caused by the opposing pressure of the two legs against the pommels. Of these grips, the first results from the downward pressure of the whole length of the right thigh and the upward pressure of the left. The second is the grip, just above the knee, of the right thigh against the pommel, involving the pressure of the leg just above the ankle on the saddle flap below. This grip is counterbalanced by the left leg's inward pressure at the knee. And, third, the hook back of the right leg over the pommel as opposed to the pressure of the stirrup foot.

Moreover, by sitting far back the leverage of these three grips is increased, and the consequent distribution of the weight makes the balance right. The legs must be immovable on the saddle, but above the waist the body sways and gives to the horse's action, and from constant habit a good rider adjusts the balance almost by instinct, and carries on the horse's movements in a multiplicity of tiny curves which pass imperceptibly from one step to another without any jerk or abruptness of movement.—English Illustrated Magazine.

Lighthouse Lamps and Lenses.

In lighthouses there are six orders of lights, graded according to their intensity. The lamp of the lowest or sixth order, which consumes only half a gill of coal oil an hour, gives about as much light as an ordinary parlor reading lamp (say 12 candle power), while the largest or first order lamp, which burns sixteen gills an hour, gives 450 candle power of light. But while the naked flame of the lamp gives this much light, the French Fresnel lens in which the lamp is set condenses and concentrates this light, so that it is multiplied in power many times. Thus the little 12 candle power flame of the sixth order lamp has in a lens a power of 75 candles; and the great 450 candle power light of the first order lamp, when placed in its enormous lens, gives a power of some 12,000 candles. Such a lens is 12 feet high and has a diameter of 6 feet.—Harper's Young People.

Paper a Hundred Years Hence.

Experts are predicting that the books of today will fall to pieces before the middle of the next century. The paper in the books that have survived two or three centuries was made by hand of honest rags and without the aid of strong chemicals, while the ink was made of nutgalls. Today much of the paper for books is made, at least in part, of wood pulp treated with powerful acids, while the ink is a compound of various substances naturally at war with the flimsy paper upon which it is laid. The printing of two centuries ago has improved with age; that of today, it is feared, will within fifty years have eaten its way through the pages upon which it is impressed.—Paper World.

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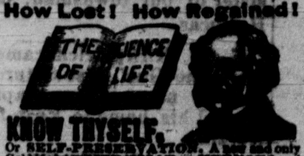

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Follicular Pharyngitis is the special bane of public speakers and singers, also people whose nervous system is dressed by organic disease of any kind. People who, for any reason, are much confined to close rooms, are very liable to this disease. Any one afflicted by this trouble is not only leading a miserable life, but the inflamed state of the throat renders him especially liable to acute disease of the throat, such as diphtheria and quinsy.

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NEWS FROM VINEY.

Sickness, Literary and Other Notes.

VINEY, March, 2, '92.

Editor Democrat:

We have seen nothing from this section in the columns of your esteemed paper for some time. Your humble scribe's long silence is alone attributable to a protracted and serious illness. The la grippe was a veritable scourge in this section, nearly every household felt its effects, and in many, there are bleeding hearts that "sigh for a touch of a vanished hand, a sound of the voice that is still," for the "angel reaper" bore some loved member from scenes of life, to the granaries of that beautiful land, where the anthems of mercy unceasingly roll, while philosophy commands us to love our dear ones today, tomorrow it forbids us to lament them. Earth can offer but a poor consolation in the dark hour of grief—God alone can prove the "Balm of consolation" upon the anguished soul, and give it a time of hallowed peace. Sickness has abated—and people are generally busy preparing for the summers work. Oats are sown—many have made gardens—and soon corn will be planted, all are trying to take advantage of the beautiful weather to prepare their ground.

Mrs. John Wallace is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

Mr. John Martin is in Grayson county on business this week.

Miss Maggie Webb, of Dallas, is visiting friends in our community.

Mrs. Mary Fitzhugh, of McKinney, visited the family of Mr. Wallace last week.

The Viney literary society held their first open exercises Friday night to a large intelligent and appreciative audience. Everyone speaks in the highest praise of the efforts of those engaged in the performance. "Let the good work go on."

Sunday school will be reorganized next Sunday at this place. It is not necessary for me to urge upon the mothers and fathers of the community, the necessity of being present, and lend their influence to the work and bring the little children, and imbue their young minds, with those precepts that will fit them to live useful and moral lives, and prepare them for death. It is hoped all interested will be present to take part in the work—a work that can only be properly measured when placed under the "square of God."

The public school which has been closed, since before the holidays on account of sickness of teacher, is now in session, and we note a very large attendance. J. T. Bell being able to resume work, is at the helm.

The literary society will give another exhibition Friday night week. The public are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Editor will you please (if able) inform your readers, upon which side of the "silver question" one must "get," to be a Simon pure, as there are many who are at sea upon that question—and are not willing to be reckoned out of the time "Honored customs" of the party—and want at least to be allowed to exercise the right of suffrage without having to take an "iron clad oath" of allegiance to enjoy privilege.

Yours truly and sincerely,

CESAR.

IN THE ARMS OF A CORPSE.

Horrible Tale of Shipwreck and Suffering in the China Sea.

George J. Merchant, mate and the only survivor of the crew of six on the ill fated schooner Pearl, which was run down and sunk in the China sea by an ocean steamer, was interviewed by a reporter at his uncle's home, on Pelham street.

"The Pearl," he said, "was a small trading schooner of 140 tons, and usually touched ports among the Philippine islands, but on his last voyage we were chartered at Pamay for Hong-Kong with a general cargo.

"Nothing of any account happened until the night of the disaster, when we were within eight miles of our destination.

"At 8 o'clock that evening the barometer went down rapidly and we made ready by reducing sail to meet the tornado.

"Myself and a man named Mayo were on watch at 11 o'clock, and at that time we were hove to under a two reefed foresail, the wind having increased to a gale.

"Suddenly we saw two side lights a half mile away, and fearing a collision I told Mayo to get the 'flam' lighted, while I would arouse the crew.

"Before the 'flam' could be lighted the steamer was upon us, striking the Pearl on the port side and cutting her almost in two.

"We began to sink. I cut the lashings of the boat, turned her over, but we could not launch her, as Mayo's arm had been broken by flying timber.

"We got into the boat and she floated off. I saw the steamer back astern, then proceed on her course, notwithstanding that I yelled myself hoarse for aid.

"In a few minutes the schooner sank head foremost, and we came very near being drawn down.

"We were alone on the ocean, as not one of our shipmates could be seen clinging to the wreckage of our vessel. But, worst of all, we had neither oars, water nor provisions.

"The heavy sea that was running at the time broke over the boat, and I tore up the bottom boards, fastened them to the rope at the bow and threw them overboard. These answered as a drag and kept her head up to the sea.

"All that night we huddled together to keep warm, expecting each moment would be our last.

"Morning dawned, but it was a sad dawning, as Mayo, overcome by the pain of his broken arm, lay stretched out in the bottom of the boat gasping for the want of a drink of water.

"Throughout that day many an anxious glance I cast over the waters. There was no sail in sight, and the delirious cries of Mayo was something awful. Then the storm abated. Next morning I found myself clasped in the arms of the corpse of Mayo.

"This was terrible, yet he must be buried. So I raised the body as gently as possible and launched it into the sea.

"I watched the body sink, but what was my horror when it rose face upward. Having nothing for a sinker I took one of the boards and paddled away from the terrible sight.

"I think it must have been about noon that day when I became delirious, for I remember quite plainly of yelling to a fleet of imaginary ships as they passed, but after that all was a blank.

"How or when I was rescued I do not know, but when I came to my senses I was on board a large Chinese junk, and seated beside me was a good natured coolie with a fan, who motioned me to keep quiet."—Boston Globe.

Women in New York Banks.

Certain of the up town banks make a specialty of attention to women depositors and try all manner of schemes to make them feel comfortable. And they truly do more to encourage the daintiness of the toilet than all the beauty shops in town. One of these banks, right in the heart of the shopping district, has just behind the cashier's desk a softly curtained door, through which may be seen the corner of a fresh, white apron. This belongs to a bright faced woman, who is ready and waiting to repair any damages to one's gown that may have developed during the tour of the shops. Needles, scissors and silk of all shades, buttons and pins are all waiting to be used, while whisk brooms and bottles of shoe dressing are close at hand. And then the washstand, a deep oval basin sunk in a spotless marble slab, with well kept nickel faucets to supply hot and cold water, two or three cakes of soap are on one side and on the other a pile of snowy damask towels; mirrors are everywhere, and the girl must be careless indeed of her comfort and her fringe who will not run in for a moment in passing.

The waiting woman in charge of this room scorns with an unlimited scorn the girl or woman who deposits her wealth in her stocking. She says it is astonishing how many people carry their valuable in that singular hiding place. A little chamois bag holds the bills, and that is fastened to the garter for greater security. She has a trifle less disdain for those who open three or four buttons of their frock and slip the precious roll inside. She thinks the money can be produced with fewer gymnastics in the latter case than when the lower receptacle is made use of. She tries to deter women from putting money in their stockings by telling a dire tale of a girl whose thin stocking wore through, causing the unconscious capitalist to shed wealth at every step.—New York Press.

She Founded a Unique Benevolence.

Few persons in this city are aware of the rapid growth and farreaching scope of the work done by the Periodical club. Comparatively speaking, there are few persons in New York who even know that such a club as the Periodical club exists. Four years ago Mrs. Mortimer Fargo, a zealous Christian worker in an up town Protestant Episcopal parish, conceived the idea that a great deal of good might be accomplished by collecting books, magazines and papers that had been thrown aside and distributing them gratuitously in the far west and south. She consulted a few clergymen and philanthropic laymen, and the formation of the Periodical club was the result. Beginning in a modest way, the work of that organization has grown to large proportions. Thousands upon thousands of periodicals and books are sent out to eager readers in remote districts every year. Mrs. Fargo died about a month ago, and her place has been taken, at her own request, by Mrs. J. L. Chapin, a member of the Church of Zion and St. Timothy. Hundreds of good people in this city, and hundreds elsewhere, have become interested in this work, and the contributions of books and magazines are steadily increasing. A large trunk kept in the Bartholomew parish house in East Forty-second street is filled and sent away every now and then, besides innumerable smaller packages, all of which an express company has kindly carried free. Some of the letters that have been received from the far west are very interesting.—New York Times.

A Parrot That Spells Its Name.

A bright parrot is owned by the Misses Myers, daughters of Benjamin Myers, of Kingston. It says its letters from A to I, can sing a few verses and spells its own name, pronouncing it by syllables like a schoolboy.—New York Telegram.

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A WRECKING TRAIN.

HOW RAILROADS OPEN THE LINE AFTER AN ACCIDENT.

The Train Is Made Up of a Locomotive, a Derrick Car, a Box Car with Heavy Appliances, and a Tool Car—These Cars Contain Everything Needful.

"Accident to train No. 16, engine 46, Engineer A. Jones, Conductor L. Watson."

It is a dispach like the above that the superintendent of a railroad dreads most. He may have provided a most careful system of signals, may have perfectly trustworthy trainmen and competent switchmen; yet, despite all this, smash-ups will occur, trains will collide, tracks will be blocked and traffic stopped sometimes for hours over his busiest line.

It is to prevent the stoppage of business that every railroad keeps on hand several wrecking trains which are ready at a moment's notice to go to any part of the system, clear away wrecks, temporarily repair tracks and to put engines and cars in sufficient good order to reach the repair shops.

The moment a wreck occurs the telegraph operator at the nearest station sends a dispatch like the one above, followed by numbered answers to the following questions, which are copied on a blank at the superintendent's office:

1. Place of accident?
2. What caused it?
3. Were any persons injured? If so, what persons and to what extent?
4. Is main track obstructed?
5. Is the track or roadbed much damaged?
6. Is a side track near the obstruction which can be used to pass trains around?
7. Will section force be sufficient to clear obstruction? If not, how much greater force is wanted?
8. How long will it take to clear the track so trains can pass?
9. Is engine off the track or damaged? What position is engine in?
10. How many cars are broken or off the track?
11. How many cars are wanted, and what kind, to transfer freight in?
12. How many car trucks are needed?
13. Remarks of any nature concerning the accident.

This is made out in full and signed by the conductor.

HOW AN ACCIDENT IS REPORTED.

Supposing it was a freight train that was wrecked. It is bound west, and on account of a broken rail the train was thrown from the track, and several box cars and "flats" were piled up on both tracks. The conductor would fill out the blank, and when received by the superintendent would read something like the following: Engine 46—Engineer, Jones; conductor, Watson; 1, near Brownville; 2, broken rail; 3, none; 4, yes; 5, yes; 6, no; 7, wrecking train; 8, five or six hours; 9, yes, slightly; 10, seven; 11, five; 12, four; 13, approach on southbound track.

As soon as this dispatch arrives at the office a spare engine is attached to the wrecking train, a gang of men are hastily put aboard, the conductor gives the signal and the train speeds away to the scene of the disaster.

The train is made up of three cars, the first a flat car with a small and powerful derrick and a few spare car trucks. Next behind comes a box car well loaded with blocking, which is of value as temporary foundation for cars whose trucks have been smashed or torn from under them. In the same car is an ample supply of large and small hawsers, chains and canvas covers to protect perishable freight from rain and snow.

The tool car is last, and this indeed is a most interesting one. Some are divided into two or three rooms by partitions running from side to side at different points in the interior. In the center compartment of a three room tool car, where the wreckers remain when in transit, is a cooking stove and all utensils connected with a range, and hard by is a small pantry in which is stored a big supply of canned meats, coffee and utensils to prepare a hearty meal. Adjoining is the foreman's room with desk and all material for writing and the keeping of reports, telegraph machines, batteries and electrical supplies.

The latter supply comes in handy at the wreck. Wires are carried up from the car top to one of the railroad wires, connected, and the force is in communication with the whole railroad system.

A COMPLETE EQUIPMENT.

Everything which experience has suggested as likely to be brought into use in removing derailed cars and freight is to be found in these rooms. Along the sides are a score or more "jacks," some of them so powerful that a single man can lift to a height of several inches anything weighing from 1,000 pounds to twenty tons; there are also wrenches, rope, lanterns, axes, saws, hammers, light and heavy; crowbars, torches, drills, hatchets and numerous other appliances. Some new appliance is being added every time the train goes out, and all new things introduced in the work are added as soon as they are out.

It is very seldom that any tool is called for during the work upon a smashup that is not to be found in the resources of the car, all of which are accounted for by a man who keeps a record of every piece taken out and returned.

Upon the arrival of the train at the wreck the men are put to work in charge of an experienced mechanic and foreman. With startling rapidity the wreck is straightened out. The locomotive attached to the train is available to furnish power in case any hauling is to be done, and if the engine of the wrecked train is unharmed and on the "steel," it, too, can be brought into similar use.

In the handling of costly passenger coaches careful work is required; while in the case of overturned locomotives, which weigh from thirty-five to eighty tons, the work of righting and replacing them on the tracks is no small job.

Oftentimes a few hundred dollars will cover all damages for what looks to a novice like a wreck involving a loss of thousands of dollars. In most cases wrecked coaches and freight cars can be repaired at a comparatively small expense. Locomotives can also be smashed on the exterior to quite an extent without costly or irreparable damage.—New York World.

Women Teachers.

Of the teaching body in the United States at the last census 65 per cent were women. The total number is 288,333. Women are sometimes employed as teachers exclusively for boys, but more frequently for boys and girls together. In Chicago there are no separate schools for boys—the sexes are taught together. Women in Boston teach all the branches in all the public school course to children of all ages and all classes in life. In reply to the comparative success of male and female teachers the commissioner of education reports. "Women, I think, as a rule succeed better than men in getting work out of pupils of all kinds. The intellectual training which they give is therefore better up to a certain point than that given by men. They also maintain better discipline than men and with less corporal punishment."—Exchange.

The Invention of Spectacles.

Spectacles were first used in the latter part of the Thirteenth century. There is no certainty as to who was the inventor of them, but the distinction is generally claimed for Alessandro di Spina, who is said to have made some about 1285.—Notes and Queries.

A STORY FROM PARIS.

AN INTERESTING ROMANCE OF A THOUGHTLESS PAINTER.

The Widow Who Came to Dispossess the Negligent Artist Staid to Accept His Love, and Later His Hand and Heart. A Little Child Led Them.

There is a friend of mine, a painter, who has all the talents and no talent of his own. He would copy or imitate a Greuze or a Watteau to perfection. A Diaz by him only wants the signature, which an unscrupulous dealer does not hesitate to forge. My friend, whom we will call Durand, is an excellent man, industrious and clever, but too negligent to take the initiative in anything, even in painting. Well, he had given notice to quit his apartment in July, on the fifteenth day of the month, at noon, according to the customs of the country.

He had, however, been so absorbed in his painting that he had forgotten to retain a wagon to take away his furniture, and when he did at last concern himself about the matter he only succeeded in securing one for the end of the day. But at noon precisely, just as he was putting the finishing touches to a copy of Greuze's famous "Cruche-Cassee," there came an imperious knock at the door. It was the new tenant, escorted by her furniture. She was furious to find that Durand was "dawdling over his paint brushes," while all her furniture was out in the street exposed to the gaze of indiscreet passersby. She even threatened to send for the police in order to bring Durand to a sense of his duties as an outgoing tenant.

Durand, like many painters, thought the sea more charming than ever when agitated by a storm, and concluded that his fair visitor was rendered more beautiful by her anger. She was about twenty-five years of age. She had dark hair and blue eyes, a fine, supple figure, and her pretty nostrils were slightly dilated by her emotion. She was accompanied by a little girl of six years of age—a little golden haired fairy. "What!" continued the irate lady, "you are not going away until 5 o'clock? It is absurd! What am I to do with my furniture? Where is the proprietor? I must see the proprietor!" It was impossible to gratify her last wish. The concierge alone was available, but the newcomer was so terrible, so aggressive and so threatening that Cerberus was tamed and ran away, leaving his broom behind him.

INFLUENCE OF A CHILD.

Durand ought, according to his system of imitation, to have become wrathful, too, but his adversary was a pretty woman, so he sought an ally. The little girl was playing with a shepherdess in porcelain de Saxe that adorned one end of the chimney piece. "Should you like it?" "Oh, yes; it is so pretty!" "Take it." "Jeanne," said the mother, "I forbid you to accept anything." "If it were only to please her," replied Durand, "I could understand your prohibition, but it is an economy for me. I shall have so much less to move."

Women are ready laughers. The lady fixed her eyes on the wall in order to keep her countenance. "Your name is Jeanne?" said the painter. "Yes," answered the child. "And your papa—where is he?" "He died two years ago." "And mamma is a widow?" "Yes, monsieur."

Then turning to the lady, Durand apologized for his sins, told her that he had cleared one room and that he would go and help her get her furniture in. Soon the furniture began to find its place—the wardrobe, the mirror, the bookcase. "Oh, madame, without knowing you, as I look at these books I can read your mind. Balzac, Hugo, Lamartine"— "Ta, ta, ta," cried the irate lady, "you would have done better to clear out before noon than to be trying to study my character!" "I am working all the time, madame. Look! I have put that console there—here the statue of the Virgin—this little mirror opposite the window." "Oh, it is no use; you cannot make peace with me!"

WRATH TURNED TO LOVE.

There was an interval of twenty minutes, during which the lady stood at the window. Durand had remained in his room with the child. "Are they coming today or tomorrow—your men?" she asked angrily as she came back into the room; but she stopped in the middle. Jeanne, motionless and smiling, was seated on a chair and Durand was painting her portrait. "Mamma," said the little one suddenly, "I am hungry. You have some wine and a pate in the big basket." "Come, then, and breakfast on the balcony," murmured the mother. Durand was left alone to finish his sketch. There was a silence of ten minutes. Then the child returned timidly. "Mamma has something to ask you." "What?" "She does not dare." "She wants to turn me out?" "No." "What then?" "Mamma would like to know if you—if you would like a piece of pate."

This happened on July 15, and when the concierge arrived, all trembling, to announce that the men had at last come to remove Durand's furniture, he found him sitting on the balcony at table with the mother and dandling the child on his knees.

Misfortunes, however, never come alone. The wagon was too small. It would not hold all Durand's things at once. "Leave your palette, your easel and your pictures," said Jeanne; "I will take care of them, and then you will be obliged to come back again and finish my picture." He left them. He only came into possession of them on Jan. 15, when he brought all his furniture back into his own room. This time, however, there was no difficulty about the outgoing tenant, for she had meanwhile become Durand's wife, and the two households were merged into one.—Paris Cor. Philadelphia Bulletin.

And Still We Have Dyspepsia.

Scientists assure us that upward of 5,000,000 minute glands are constantly at work in our stomachs secreting gastric juice.—New York Journal.

Chips for the Churchgoer.

There are many people who think they ought to help the Lord to keep the preacher humble.

It is easier to run an engine without fire than it is to keep up a church without a prayer meeting.

The pastor who tries to carry his church to heaven on his shoulders will be sure to drop the most of it.

Men who stamp around among the stars in the pulpit are not much account in helping people toward heaven.

Closing the heart against the cry of the needy is only another way of shutting the door of heaven against yourself.

The protracted meeting in which the members of the pastor's family take no interest is not apt to develop into much of a revival.—Ram's Horn.

Sad Looking Author of a Merry Book.

One who once set type in a great English establishment remembers the time when that most fascinating of nonsense books, "Alice in Wonderland," was put into metal from young Dodgeson's manuscript. "As you saw the writer, a grave almost sad looking young man, going in and out of Worcester college, or at the office about the proofs, you scarcely think such melancholy looking authorship could produce so merry a book."—

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THE MODERN SIDESADDLE.

Why It Is That a Woman Is Safer on Horseback Than a Man Is.

About the year 1830, by an accidental circumstance, women's riding was revolutionized. An Englishman made a wager to ride a steeplechase on a side saddle. A preliminary trial showed him, I imagine, the rashness of the attempt. So to minimize the danger by enabling him to sit safely, Mr. Fitzhardinge Oldacre, I think, invented the third pommel. Looking back one wonders how it was that women had not long before invented it for themselves under stress of urgent need. But one generation followed another and no one seems to have thought of it. Once invented, however, it was immediately adopted, and a three pommeled side saddle came into general use. This invention at once reinstated women's riding as a fine art by producing a new departure under improved conditions. For the grip obtainable by its means gives the greatest possible security in exchange for the least possible expenditure of force.

Saddles of this kind were cumbrous and very heavy, but during the following fifty years the weight of construction was gradually reduced, and little by little every unnecessary item was cut away, till in course of time the three pommeled saddle evolved into the long, light hunting saddle actually in use at present. It differs in several ways from its prototype. In this modern saddle the long narrow cantle is built over a sort of tunnel, which takes in the horse's withers and allows the seat of the saddle to lie flat; while the old fashioned seat sloped up and tilted the rider's knee with much the same effect as riding up hill.

All traces of the outer pommel have disappeared, leaving a free space where no resistance is necessary. Finally, the left hand pommel is placed high up the thigh, where the grip is strongest, the pressure having formerly been placed just above the knee, so that a shorter stirrup was necessary. Now, such greater leverage led to an exaggeration of movement, which prevented all rhythm, for obviously the closer the rider can sit the more possibility there will be of being "one" with the horse, of riding so as to blend with his action, of, so to speak, following the pattern of his movement.

In the modern saddle all modifications tend to diminish effort and by greater security to enable the rider to sit very still. Strength of seat seems to me to be the result, roughly speaking, of three grips, caused by the opposing pressure of the two legs against the pommels. Of these grips, the first results from the downward pressure of the whole length of the right thigh and the upward pressure of the left. The second is the grip, just above the knee, of the right thigh against the pommel, involving the pressure of the leg just above the ankle on the saddle flap below. This grip is counterbalanced by the left leg's inward pressure at the knee. And, third, the hook back of the right leg over the pommel as opposed to the pressure of the stirrup foot.

Moreover, by sitting far back the leverage of these three grips is increased, and the consequent distribution of the weight makes the balance right. The legs must be immovable on the saddle, but above the waist the body sways and gives to the horse's action, and from constant habit a good rider adjusts the balance almost by instinct, and carries on the horse's movements in a multiplicity of tiny curves which pass imperceptibly from one step to another without any jerk or abruptness of movement.—English Illustrated Magazine.

Lighthouse Lamps and Lenses.

In lighthouses there are six orders of lights, graded according to their intensity. The lamp of the lowest or sixth order, which consumes only half a gill of coal oil an hour, gives about as much light as an ordinary parlor reading lamp (say 12 candle power), while the largest or first order lamp, which burns sixteen gills an hour, gives 450 candle power of light. But while the naked flame of the lamp gives this much light, the French Fresnel lens in which the lamp is set condenses and concentrates this light, so that it is multiplied in power many times. Thus the little 12 candle power flame of the sixth order lamp has in a lens a power of 75 candles; and the great 450 candle power light of the first order lamp, when placed in its enormous lens, gives a power of some 12,000 candles. Such a lens is 12 feet high and has a diameter of 6 feet.—Harper's Young People.

Paper a Hundred Years Hence.

Experts are predicting that the books of today will fall to pieces before the middle of the next century. The paper in the books that have survived two or three centuries was made by hand of honest rags and without the aid of strong chemicals, while the ink was made of nutgalls. Today much of the paper for books is made, at least in part, of wood pulp treated with powerful acids, while the ink is a compound of various substances naturally at war with the flimsy paper upon which it is laid. The printing of two centuries ago has improved with age; that of today, it is feared, will within fifty years leave its way through the pages upon which it is impressed.—Paper World.

A Love Party.

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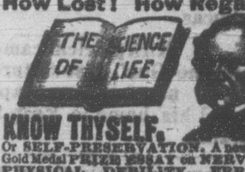

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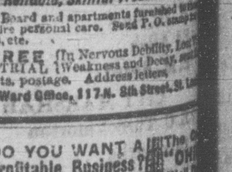

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